

This Document can be made available
in alternative formats upon request

State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**EIGHTY-SIXTH
SESSION**

HOUSE FILE NO. 415

February 2, 2009

Authored by Howes, Doty, Smith, Murdock, Persell and others

The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Policy and Oversight

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to constitutional amendments; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota
1.3 Constitution, article I; providing that the right of citizens to bear arms for certain
1.4 purposes is fundamental and shall not be abridged.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

1.7 An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the
1.8 amendment is adopted, a section shall be added to article I, to read:

1.9 Sec. 18. The right of a citizen to keep and bear arms for the defense and security of
1.10 the person, family, or home or for lawful hunting, recreation, or marksmanship training
1.11 is fundamental and shall not be abridged.

1.12 Sec. 2. **SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.**

1.13 The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2010 general
1.14 election. The question submitted must be:

1.15 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that the right of a citizen to
1.16 keep and bear arms for the defense and security of the person, family, or home or for lawful
1.17 hunting, recreation, or marksmanship training is fundamental and shall not be abridged?

1.18 Yes

1.19 No"