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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 824

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice Reform Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution by adding a section to
1.3 article I; providing for the right of the people to acquire, keep, possess, transport,
1.4 carry, transfer, and use arms including firearms, knives, or any other weapons and
1.5 ammunition, components, and accessories for these arms.

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

1.7 Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

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

1.10 Sec. 18. The right of individuals to acquire, keep, possess, transport, carry, transfer,
1.11 and use arms including firearms, knives, or any other weapons and ammunition, components,
1.12 and accessories for the arms is fundamental and shall not be denied, infringed, or curtailed.
1.13 Any restriction must be subjected to strict scrutiny review. Registration, mandatory licensing,
1.14 special taxation, fees, or any other measure, regardless of type, manner, or purpose, that
1.15 suppresses or discourages the free exercise of the right is forbidden.

1.16 Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.

1.17 The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2022 general election.
1.18 The question submitted must be:

1.19 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to protect the right of the people to
1.20 acquire, keep, possess, transport, carry, transfer, and use arms including firearms, knives,
1.21 or any other weapons and ammunition, components, and accessories for these arms?"

2.1

Yes

2.2

No"