

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 18

2 **55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2021**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 11 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO  
12 BY ADDING A NEW SECTION TO PROHIBIT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
13 ADDRESSING A STATEWIDE PUBLIC EMERGENCY, THE CLOSURE OF A  
14 BUSINESS WHILE ALLOWING ANOTHER BUSINESS IN THE SAME INDUSTRY  
15 TO REMAIN OPEN.

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17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

18 SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 11 of the  
19 constitution of New Mexico by adding a new section to read:

20 "Neither the state, nor a political subdivision, agency,  
21 department or instrumentality of the state, shall, for the  
22 purpose of addressing a statewide public emergency, require the  
23 closure of a place of business registered in the state while  
24 allowing another business registered in the state with the same  
25 North American industry classification system code or similar

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1 succeeding industry classification to remain open."

2 SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution  
3 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
4 rejection at the next general election or at any special  
5 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
6 purpose.