

1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 11

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 4, SECTION 31 AND ARTICLE 12,  
12 SECTION 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO ALLOW TRIBAL  
13 COLLEGES TO RECEIVE STATE FUNDS.

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

16 SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 4, Section 31  
17 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

18 "A. No appropriation shall be made for charitable,  
19 educational or other benevolent purposes to any person,  
20 corporation, association, institution or community not under  
21 the absolute control of the state, but the legislature may, in  
22 its discretion, make appropriations for the charitable  
23 institutions and hospitals, for the maintenance of which annual  
24 appropriations were made by the legislative assembly of  
25 nineteen hundred and nine, or to a tribal college accredited as

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1 provided by law.

2 B. As used in this section, "tribal college" means  
3 a tribally, federally or congressionally chartered post-  
4 secondary educational institution located in New Mexico that is  
5 accredited."

6 SECTION 2. It is proposed to amend Article 12, Section 3  
7 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

8 "A. The schools, colleges, universities and other  
9 educational institutions provided for by this constitution  
10 shall forever remain under the exclusive control of the state  
11 [~~and~~]. No part of the proceeds arising from the sale or  
12 disposal of any lands granted to the state by congress [~~or any~~]  
13 shall be used for the support of any sectarian, denominational  
14 or private school, college or university. No other funds  
15 appropriated, levied or collected for educational purposes,  
16 shall be used for the support of any sectarian, denominational  
17 or private school, college or university, except for a tribal  
18 college accredited as provided by law.

19 B. As used in this section, "tribal college" means  
20 a tribally, federally or congressionally chartered post-  
21 secondary educational institution located in New Mexico that is  
22 accredited."

23 SECTION 3. The amendment proposed by this resolution  
24 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
25 rejection at the next general election or at any special

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1 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
2 purpose.

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