

*Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **add** section 24 **to article IV** as follows:

**section 24. FOREIGN AFFAIRS.**

(1) Definitions.

(a) "AMBASSADOR" MEANS COLORADO'S OFFICIAL DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE TO A NATION THAT COLORADO HAS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH.

(b) "SUB-AMBASSADOR-LEVEL DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVE" MEANS ANY DIPLOMATIC OFFICIAL WHO IS NOT AN AMBASSADOR.

(c) "TREATY" MEANS AN AGREEMENT WITH ANOTHER NATION THAT WOULD OVERRIDE ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.

(2) THE GOVERNOR MAY MAKE TREATIES, WHICH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROVE OR REJECT BY THE SAME PROCESS AS TO PASS A BILL, EXCEPT THE GOVERNOR SIGNING IT IS THE FIRST STEP INSTEAD OF THE LAST. THE GOVERNOR MAY PROPOSE THE WITHDRAWAL FROM A TREATY, WHICH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY APPROVE OR REJECT BY THE SAME PROCESS AS TO PASS A BILL, EXCEPT THE GOVERNOR PROPOSEING THE WITHDRAWAL FROM THE TREATY IS THE FIRST STEP INSTEAD OF THE GOVERNOR SIGNING THE BILL BEING THE LAST. THE GOVERNOR MAY NOMINATE AMBASSADORS, WHICH THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY CONFIRM OR REJECT BY THE SAME PROCESS AS TO PASS A BILL, EXCEPT THE GOVERNOR NOMINATING THE AMBASSADOR IS THE FIRST STEP INSTEAD OF THE GOVERNOR SIGNING THE BILL BEING THE LAST. THE GOVERNOR MAY APPOINT SUB-AMBASSADOR-LEVEL DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES, REPRESENT COLORADO AT MEETINGS BETWEEN WORLD LEADERS, AND RECEIVE AMBASSADORS.

**SECTION 2. Effective date.** This **act** takes effect January 14, 2027.