

March 4, 2021

To: Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

Re: Support SJR8*

Chair [James Ohrenschall](#) and Members of the Committee,

Chair Ohrenschall and members of the committee, my name is Teresa Bell, a volunteer member of the Club's Legislative Committee and Volunteer Engagement Coordinator. On behalf of the Sierra Club and our more than 30,000 members and supporters state-wide, I am speaking in support of SJR8*.

Question: Why or how does the SJR8* have anything to do with Sierra Club?

If everyone cannot enjoy equal access to the benefits and protection of our laws, they will also not be able to enjoy clean air & water, healthy food, and the opportunities to explore and enjoy a beautiful planet. And if everyone doesn't have equal power in our democracy, they will not be able to help us advocate for the changes we need.

By addressing equality in our work both externally and internally, we have the chance to provide positive results in people's lives and tackle the most important sustainable development challenges of our work.

Instead of waiting for the U.S. Congress to ratify the 28th amendment, SJR8* will improve Nevada's Constitution to do the same.

For these reasons we urge you to support SJR8*

Thank you.