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[Late Latin *deuteronomium*, from Greek *deuteronomion*, a second law (from *(to) deuteronomion (touto)*, Septuagint mistranslation of Hebrew *mišnê hattôrâ hazzō't*, a copy of this law) : *deuteros*, second; see **deu-**¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#) + *nomos*, law; see **nem-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

Deu'ter·o·nom ic (-tər-ə-nŏm ĭk) *adj.*

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