
OLR Bill Analysis

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RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO RECOGNIZE A RIGHT OF PERSONAL REPRODUCTIVE AUTONOMY AND FREEDOM.

SUMMARY

This resolution proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the enactment of any law that denies or infringes on personal reproductive autonomy and freedom unless there is a compelling state interest and the law achieves it by the least restrictive means. The proposed amendment specifies that the right of personal reproductive autonomy and freedom is fundamental to the liberty and dignity of self-determination.

The ballot designation to be used when the amendment is presented at the general election is “Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to recognize a right of personal reproductive autonomy and freedom?”

EFFECTIVE DATE: If the resolution passes by at least three-fourths of the membership of each house of the General Assembly, it will be placed on the 2022 general election ballot. If it passes by a majority of the membership of each house but less than three-fourths, it will be referred to the 2023 session of the legislature. If it passes in that session by a majority of each house, it will appear on the 2024 general election ballot. If a majority of those voting on the amendment in the general election approve it, the amendment will become part of the state constitution.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 12 Nay 5 (03/29/2022)