House Joint Resolution No. 1

A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 22 of Article X of the State Constitution, relating to miscellaneous matters, prohibiting the Legislature from limiting or denying the privacy right guaranteed to a minor under the United States Constitution, as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court, and authorizing the Legislature to enact Legislation providing for the notification of a pregnant minor’s parent or guardian before termination of the pregnancy and setting requirements and conditions therefor.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following creation of Section 22 of Article X of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the general election to be held in November 2004:

ARTICLE X
MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 22. Parental notice of termination of a minor’s pregnancy.—The legislature shall not limit or deny the privacy right guaranteed to a minor under the United States Constitution as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court. Notwithstanding a minor’s right of privacy provided in Section 23 of Article I, the Legislature is authorized to require by general law for notification to a parent or guardian of a minor before the termination of the minor’s pregnancy. The Legislature shall provide exceptions to such requirement for notification and shall create a process for judicial waiver of the notification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be placed on the ballot:

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
ARTICLE X, SECTION 22

PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF A MINOR'S TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY.—Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature to require by general law for notification to a parent or guardian of a minor before the termination of the minor’s pregnancy. The amendment provides that the Legislature shall not limit or deny the privacy rights guaranteed to minors under the United States Constitution as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court. The Legislature shall provide exceptions to such requirement for notification and shall create a process for judicial waiver of the requirement for notification.

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