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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I, SECTION 23, OF THE HAWAII  
STATE CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFICALLY RESERVE MARRIAGE TO  
OPPOSITE-SEX COUPLES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an  
2 amendment to article I, section 23, of the Constitution of the  
3 State of Hawaii to specifically reserve marriage to opposite-sex  
4 couples as provided by law.

5 SECTION 2. Article 1, section 23, of the Constitution of  
6 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

7 **"MARRIAGE**

8 **Section 23.** [~~The legislature shall have the power to~~  
9 ~~reserve marriage to opposite sex couples.] Marriage shall be  
10 specifically reserved to opposite-sex couples as provided by  
11 law."~~

12 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall  
13 be as follows:

14 "Shall the state constitution be amended to specifically  
15 reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples?"



1 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is  
2 bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is  
3 underscored.

4 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon  
5 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of  
6 the State of Hawaii.

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**Report Title:**

Constitutional Amendment; Marriage

**Description:**

Proposes constitutional amendment to specifically reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples.

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