
A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION REGARDING THE
FREEDOM OF SPEECH.

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 4, of the Constitution of the
3 State of Hawaii to provide that the freedom of speech shall be
4 extended only to natural persons, and not to a business entity.

5 SECTION 2. Article I, section 4, of the Constitution of
6 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

7 "FREEDOM OF RELIGION, SPEECH, PRESS,

8 ASSEMBLY AND PETITION

9 Section 4. No law shall be enacted respecting an
10 establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise
11 thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press or
12 the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition
13 the government for a redress of grievances.

14 The freedom of speech provided by this section shall apply
15 only to natural persons."

16 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
17 be as follows:



1 "Shall the Constitution of the State of Hawaii be amended
2 to provide the freedom of speech only to natural persons?"

3 SECTION 4. New constitutional material is 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:

Freedom of Speech; Natural Persons

Description:

Proposes a constitutional amendment to provide that freedom of speech applies only to natural persons.

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