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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I, SECTION 23, OF THE  
CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO RESERVE MARRIAGE TO  
RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN.

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

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

3 "MARRIAGE

4 Section 23. [~~The legislature shall have the power to~~  
5 ~~reserve marriage to opposite sex couples.~~] To be valid and  
6 recognized in this State, a marriage may exist only between one  
7 man and one woman."

8 SECTION 2. The question to be printed on the ballot shall  
9 be as follows:

10 "Shall the Constitution of the State of Hawaii be amended  
11 to reserve marriage to relationships between one man and  
12 one woman?"

13 SECTION 3. Constitutional material to be repealed is  
14 bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is  
15 underscored.



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

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# S.B. NO. 1292

**Report Title:**

Constitutional Amendment; Marriage

**Description:**

Proposes a constitutional amendment to reserve marriage to relationships between one man and one woman.

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