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A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO PROTECT THE RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM.

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

1 SECTION 1. Article I of the Constitution of the State of
2 Hawaii is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM"

5 Section . The State shall not deny or interfere with an
6 individual's reproductive freedom in their most intimate
7 decisions, including:

8 (1) The right to choose to obtain an abortion of a
9 nonviable fetus;

10 (2) An abortion that is necessary to protect the life or
11 health of the parent; and

12 (3) The right to choose to obtain or use contraceptives."

13 SECTION 2. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
14 be as follows:

15 "Shall the Constitution of the State of Hawaii be
16 amended to prohibit the state from denying or interfering



1 with an individual's reproductive freedom, including the
2 right to:

3 (1) Choose to obtain an abortion of a nonviable
4 fetus; and

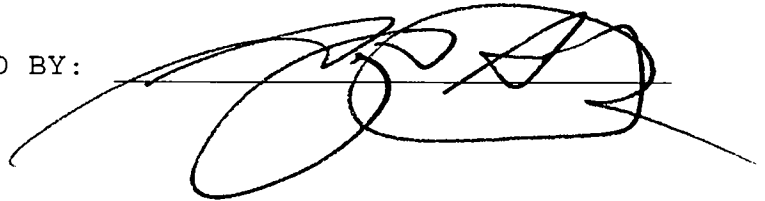
5 (2) Choose to obtain or use contraceptives?"

6 SECTION 3. New constitutional material is underscored.

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

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S.B. NO. 297

Report Title:

Constitutional Amendment; Reproductive Freedom; Abortion;
Contraceptives; Pregnancy Outcomes

Description:

Amends the Hawaii State Constitution to prohibit the State from denying or interfering with an individual's reproductive freedom, including the right to choose to obtain an abortion and to obtain or use contraceptives.

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