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CHAMBER ACTION

The Committee on Future of Florida's Families recommends the following:

Committee Substitute

Remove the entire joint resolution and insert:

House Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the State Constitution to prohibit depriving a person of any right because of physical or mental disability, as defined by general law.

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

That the amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the State Constitution set forth below is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of Florida for approval or rejection at the general election to be held in November 2004:

ARTICLE I

DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

SECTION 2. Basic rights.--All natural persons, female and male alike, are equal before the law and have inalienable rights, among which are the right to enjoy and defend life and liberty, to pursue happiness, to be rewarded for industry, and



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29 | to acquire, possess and protect property; except that the
30 | ownership, inheritance, disposition and possession of real
31 | property by aliens ineligible for citizenship may be regulated
32 | or prohibited by law. No person shall be deprived of any right
33 | because of race, religion, national origin, ~~or~~ physical
34 | disability, or mental disability, as the terms "physical
35 | disability" and "mental disability" may be defined by general
36 | law.

37 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the title and substance of the
38 | amendment proposed herein shall appear on the ballot as follows:

39 | BASIC RIGHTS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

40 | Proposes an amendment to Section 2 of Article I of the
41 | State Constitution to prohibit depriving a person of any right
42 | because of physical or mental disability, as the terms "physical
43 | disability" and "mental disability" may be defined by general
44 | law.