

House Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 22 of Article X of the State Constitution, relating to miscellaneous matters, prohibiting the Legislature from limiting or denying the privacy right guaranteed to a minor under the United States Constitution, as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court, and authorizing the Legislature to enact Legislation providing for the notification of a pregnant minor's parent or guardian before termination of the pregnancy and setting requirements and conditions therefor.

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

That the following creation of Section 22 of Article X of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the general election to be held in November 2004:

ARTICLE X

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 22. Parental notice of termination of a minor's pregnancy.--The legislature shall not limit or deny the privacy right guaranteed to a minor under the United States Constitution as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court. Notwithstanding a minor's right of privacy provided in Section 23 of Article I, the Legislature is authorized to require by general law for notification to a parent or guardian of a minor before the termination of the minor's pregnancy. The Legislature

29 | shall provide exceptions to such requirement for notification
30 | and shall create a process for judicial waiver of the
31 | notification.

32 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
33 | placed on the ballot:

34 | CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

35 | ARTICLE X, SECTION 22

36 | PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF A MINOR'S TERMINATION OF
37 | PREGNANCY.--Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to
38 | authorize the Legislature to require by general law for
39 | notification to a parent or guardian of a minor before the
40 | termination of the minor's pregnancy. The amendment provides
41 | that the Legislature shall not limit or deny the privacy rights
42 | guaranteed to minors under the United States Constitution as
43 | interpreted by the United States Supreme Court. The Legislature
44 | shall provide exceptions to such requirement for notification
45 | and shall create a process for judicial waiver of the
46 | requirement for notification.