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Senate Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to
Section 2 of Article I of the State
Constitution, relating to basic rights.

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

That the following amendment to Section 2 of Article I
of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted
to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the
next general election or at an earlier special election
specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

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
to acquire, possess and protect property; ~~except that the~~
~~ownership, inheritance, disposition and possession of real~~
~~property by aliens ineligible for citizenship may be regulated~~
~~or prohibited by law.~~ No person shall be deprived of any
right because of race, religion, national origin, or physical
disability.

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

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE I, SECTION 2

DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.--Proposing an amendment to the
State Constitution to delete provisions authorizing the
Legislature to regulate or prohibit the ownership,

1 inheritance, disposition, and possession of real property by
2 aliens ineligible for citizenship.
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