

By Senator Gibson

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Senate Concurrent Resolution

A concurrent resolution ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to equal rights for men and women.

WHEREAS, during the Second Session of the Ninety-second Congress of the United States of America, by a constitutional majority of two-thirds, both houses approved the Equal Rights Amendment, and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 1972, this proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States was sent to the states for ratification, and

WHEREAS, Article V of the United States Constitution authorizes the Legislature of Florida to ratify proposed amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and

WHEREAS, 35 of the necessary 38 states have already ratified the Equal Rights Amendment, and

WHEREAS, constitutional equality for men and women continues to be timely in the United States and worldwide, and many other nations have achieved constitutional equality for their men and women, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida, the House of Representatives Concurring:

That the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States set forth below is ratified by the Legislature of the State of Florida.

"Article ____

"SECTION 1. Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

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33 "SECTION 2. The Congress shall have the power to enforce,
34 by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

35 "SECTION 3. This amendment shall take effect two years
36 after the date of ratification."

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of the
38 foregoing preamble and resolution be immediately forwarded by
39 the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, under the Great
40 Seal of this state, to the President of the United States, the
41 Secretary of State of the United States, the President of the
42 Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of
43 Representatives of the United States, and the Administrator of
44 General Services Administration of the United States.