S.B. NO. 2884

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 1, SECTION 23, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION RELATING TO MARRIAGE.

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

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an
2	amendment to article 1, section 23, of the Constitution of the
3	State of Hawaii to clarify that marriage is a right that shall
4	not be denied or abridged by the State on the basis of race or
5	sex.
6	SECTION 2. Article 1, section 23, of the Constitution of
7	the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:
8	"MARRIAGE
8 9	<b>"MARRIAGE</b> Section 23. The [ <del>legislature</del> ] right to marriage shall
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9 10	Section 23. The [ <del>legislature</del> ] <u>right to marriage</u> shall [have the power to reserve marriage to opposite sex couples.]
9 10 11	Section 23. The [ <del>legislature</del> ] <u>right to marriage</u> shall [have the power to reserve marriage to opposite sex couples.] not be denied or abridged by the State on account of race or

14 be as follows:





1 "Shall the state constitution be amended to clarify that the right to marriage shall not be denied or abridged by 2 the State on the basis of race or sex?" 3 4 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is 5 6 underscored. 7 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of 8 9 the State of Hawaii.

10 Ven INTRODUCED BY:



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**Report Title:** Constitutional Amendment; Marriage

**Description:** Proposes a constitutional amendment to ensure that the basis to marriage shall not be denied or abridged on the basis of race or sex.

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