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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO RESERVE MARRIAGE TO OPPOSITE-SEX COUPLES.

#### 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 I, section 23, of the Constitution of the 3 State of Hawaii to provide that marriage shall be reserved to opposite-sex couples. 4 5 SECTION 2. Article 1, section 23, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows: 6 7 "MARRIAGE 8 Section 23. [The legislature shall have the power to 9 reserve marriage] Marriage shall be reserved to opposite-sex 10 couples." 11 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall 12 be as follows: 13 "Shall the constitution of the State of Hawaii be amended to reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples?" 14 15 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is

bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is

underscored.

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- 1 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
- 2 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of

3 the State of Hawaii.

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#### Report Title:

Marriage; Opposite-sex Couples; Constitution

#### Description:

Amends the state constitution to require that marriage shall be reserved to opposite-sex couples.

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