

By Senator Richter

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Senate Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing the creation of Section 28 of Article I of the State Constitution, relating to guaranteeing the right to vote by secret ballot.

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

That the following creation of Section 28 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 28. Fundamental right to vote by secret ballot.—The right of individuals to vote by secret ballot is fundamental. Where local, state, or federal law requires elections by the people for public office, requires public votes by the people on initiatives or referenda, or requires designations or authorizations of employee representation, the right of individuals to vote by secret ballot is guaranteed.

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

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE I, SECTION 28

GUARANTEEING THE RIGHT TO VOTE BY SECRET BALLOT.—Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to declare that the right of individuals to vote by secret ballot is fundamental and, where local, state, or federal law requires elections by the

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30 people for public office, requires public votes by the people on  
31 initiatives or referenda, or requires designations or  
32 authorizations of employee representation, the amendment  
33 guarantees the right of individuals to vote by secret ballot.