



State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 127

By Senators Black, Gresham, Southerland, Crowe, Overbey, Faulk, Woodson, Yager, Stanley, Burchett, Beavers, Ketron, Tracy; Mr. Speaker Ramsey; Senators Johnson, Norris, McNally, Watson, Henry, Bunch

and

Representatives Maggart, Curtiss, Dunn; Mr. Speaker Williams; Representatives Mumpower, Phillip Johnson, Lynn, Hill, Rich, Watson, Carr, Campfield, Kelsey, Hawk, Halford, Casada, Weaver, Swafford, Hensley, Roach, Ramsey, Kevin Brooks, Curtis Johnson, Harrison, Haynes, McCormick, Sargent, Montgomery, Shipley, Coley, Matheny, Lollar, Dean, McManus, Eldridge, Faulkner, Todd, Evans, Rowland, Jim Cobb, Bell, Floyd, McDaniel, Lundberg, Curt Cobb, Ty Cobb, Fraley, Bass, Pitts, McDonald, Borchert, Fincher, Ferguson, Bone, John Deberry, Litz, Yokley, Shepard, Harmon, Dennis, Harry Brooks, Matlock, Niceley

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article I, of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to abortion.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article I, of the Constitution of Tennessee, be amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Nothing in this Constitution secures or protects a right to abortion or requires the funding of an abortion. The people retain the right through their elected state representatives and state senators to enact, amend, or repeal statutes regarding abortion, including, but not limited to, circumstances of pregnancy resulting from rape or incest or when necessary to save the life of the mother.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment be referred to the One Hundred Seventh General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the secretary of state in compliance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Senate is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the secretary of state.

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ADOPTED: June 2, 2009



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES