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5/5/2015 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Atwater, Hill, White, Thayer, Gagnon, Gambrell

5/14/2015 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Kennedy

5/26/2015 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: McEachern, Huggins

6/2/2015 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Whitmire, Bingham

7/6/2015 House Member(s) request name removed as sponsor: McEachern

1/26/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Allison, Tallon, Taylor

1/28/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Clary

2/2/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hamilton

2/3/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Sandifer

2/4/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hixon, Corley

2/9/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Henderson

2/10/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Collins, G.A.Brown, Forrester, Pitts, Hardee, Clemmons, Erickson, G.M.Smith, Bannister, McCoy, Lucas, V.S.Moss, Willis, Anthony

2/11/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: D.C.Moss

2/23/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Felder, Wells

2/25/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Lowe

3/2/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Simrill, Hiott

3/22/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Duckworth

4/12/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Ballentine

4/13/2016 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Limehouse, Quinn

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**VERSIONS OF THIS BILL**

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**A** **JOINT RESOLUTION**

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3, ARTICLE I OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1895, RELATING TO PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF CITIZENS OF THIS STATE, SO AS TO EXTEND THE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF CITIZENS OF THIS STATE TO BORN AND PREBORN PERSONS BEGINNING AT CONCEPTION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. It is proposed that Section 3, Article I of the Constitution of this State be amended by adding the following new paragraph at the end:

“Section 3.a. The privileges and immunities of citizens of South Carolina and the United States shall not be abridged, so that no person shall be deprived of life without due process of law, nor shall any person be denied the equal protection of the laws. These rights shall extend to both born and preborn persons beginning at conception.”

SECTION 2. The proposed amendment in Section 1 must be submitted to the qualified electors at the next general election for representatives. Ballots must be provided at the various voting precincts with the following words printed or written on the ballot:

“Must Article I of the Constitution of this State be amended so as to add Section 3.a. to provide that the privileges and immunities of citizens of South Carolina and the United States shall not be abridged, so that no person shall be deprived of life without due process of law, nor shall any person be denied the equal protection of the laws. These rights shall extend to both born and preborn persons beginning at conception?

Yes 

No 

Those voting in favor of the question shall deposit a ballot with a check or cross mark in the square after the word ‘Yes’, and those voting against the question shall deposit a ballot with a check or cross mark in the square after the word ‘No’.”

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