

Calendar No. 620

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. J. RES. 40

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating
to marriage.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 7, 2004

Mr. ALLARD (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. FRIST, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KYL, Mr. LOTT, Mr. McCONNELL, Mr. MILLER, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. TALENT, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. CRAIG) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read the first time

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Read the second time and placed on the calendar

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when

1 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
2 States:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 **“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

5 “This Article may be cited as the ‘Federal Marriage
6 Amendment’.

7 **“SECTION 2. MARRIAGE AMENDMENT.**

8 “Marriage in the United States shall consist only of
9 the union of a man and a woman. Neither this Constitu-
10 tion, nor the constitution of any State, shall be construed
11 to require that marriage or the legal incidents thereof be
12 conferred upon any union other than the union of a man
13 and a woman.”.

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