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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SESSION**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Civil Justice

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to the Minnesota Constitution; proposing an amendment to the
1.3 Minnesota Constitution, article XIII, by adding a section; providing that a
1.4 marriage between a man and a woman is the only domestic legal union that shall
1.5 be valid or recognized in Minnesota.

1.6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.7 Section 1. **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

1.8 An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the
1.9 amendment is adopted, a section shall be added to article XIII, to read:

1.10 Sec. 13. A marriage between a man and a woman is the only domestic legal union that
1.11 shall be valid or recognized in Minnesota.

1.12 Sec. 2. **SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.**

1.13 The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2010 general
1.14 election. The question submitted must be:

1.15 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that a marriage between
1.16 a man and a woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized
1.17 in Minnesota?

1.18 Yes
1.19 No