

By the Committee on General Provisions and Commissioners
Henderson and Mills

1 A proposal to revise
2 ARTICLE II, s. 7, Fla. Const.; providing a
3 right to clean and healthful air and water and
4 providing for the abatement of pollution and
5 noise.
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7 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission
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10 Section 1. Section 7 of Article II of the Florida
11 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:
12 ARTICLE II
13 GENERAL PROVISIONS
14 SECTION 7. Natural resources and scenic beauty.--
15 (a) It shall be the policy of the state to conserve
16 and protect its natural resources and scenic beauty. Adequate
17 provision shall be made by law for the abatement of air and
18 water pollution and of excessive and unnecessary noise.
19 (b) Those in the Everglades Agricultural Area who
20 cause water pollution within the Everglades Protection Area or
21 the Everglades Agricultural Area shall be primarily
22 responsible for paying the costs of the abatement of that
23 pollution. For the purposes of this subsection, the terms
24 "Everglades Protection Area" and "Everglades Agricultural
25 Area" shall have the meanings as defined in statutes in effect
26 on January 1, 1996.
27 (c) The state shall conserve and protect its natural
28 resources including air and water for the benefit, health, and
29 welfare of its people and future generations. Adequate
30 provision shall be made by law for the abatement of air and
31 water pollution and of excessive and unnecessary noise. The

1 people have a right to clean and healthful air and water as
2 provided by general law.
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