

1 Resolution of the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission
 2 A resolution proposing an amendment to Section 3 of
 3 Article I of the State Constitution to repeal a limit on
 4 the use of public revenues in aid of religious
 5 organizations and entities, and to prohibit individuals
 6 and entities from being barred from participating in
 7 public programs because of religion.

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 9 Be It Resolved by the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission:

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 11 That the following amendment to Section 3 of Article I of
 12 the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted to
 13 the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next
 14 general election or at an earlier special election specifically
 15 authorized by law for that purpose:

16 ARTICLE I

17 DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

18 SECTION 3. Religious freedom.—There shall be no law
 19 respecting the establishment of religion or prohibiting or
 20 penalizing the free exercise thereof. Religious freedom shall
 21 not justify practices inconsistent with public morals, peace or
 22 safety. Individuals or entities may not be barred from
 23 participating in public programs because of religion. ~~No revenue~~
 24 ~~of the state or any political subdivision or agency thereof~~
 25 ~~shall ever be taken from the public treasury directly or~~
 26 ~~indirectly in aid of any church, sect, or religious denomination~~
 27 ~~or in aid of any sectarian institution.~~

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
 29 placed on the ballot:

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

ARTICLE I, SECTION 3

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.--Amends Article I, Section 3 of the State Constitution by stating that individuals or entities may not be barred from participating in public programs because of religion and deleting the prohibition on use of revenues from the public treasury directly or indirectly in aid of any church, sect, or religious denomination or in aid of any sectarian institution.