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Committee: Senate Committee On Rules

Measure: SJR33

I oppose SJR33. The proposed law is the antithesis of the following legal principles. Moral law which is the law of conscience. Lex Natural - Natural law. Lex Communis the common law. Lex nemini facit injuriam-the law does injury to no one. Lex est ab eterno-Law is from everlasting. Lex est dictamen rationis-Law is the dictate of reason, the common law will judge according to the law of nature and the public good. The declaration of Independence states" the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them...We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are LIFE, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Thomas Jefferson stated "The God who gave us LIFE gave us liberty...Can liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction...that these liberties are the gift of God. Amendment V of the US Constitution "No person shall...be deprived of LIFE, liberty, or property, without due process of law". Amendment 14 "... nor shall any STATE deprive any person of LIFE, liberty or property, without due process of law." This proposed abortion law takes the LIFE of an innocent defenseless baby and is the antithesis of the Declaration of Independence and the aforementioned amendments to the US Constitution. This abortion law is the antithesis of the Hippocratic Oath which states "I will not give a lethal drug to anyone if I am asked, nor will I advise such a plan; and similarly I will not give a woman a pessary to cause an abortion." The repealing of Measure 36 is the antithesis of true marriage. Black's law dictionary 5th ed. defines Marriage as "Legal union of one man and one woman as husband and wife." Baker v Nelson stated "The institution of marriage as a union of man and women, uniquely involving the procreation and rearing of children within a family, is as old as the book of Genesis. Marriage and procreation are fundamental to the very existence and survival of the race. The equal protection clause of the 14 th amendment like due process, is not offended by the state's classification of persons authorized to marry."