

## House Concurrent Resolution No. 5026

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of the bill of rights of the constitution of the state of Kansas, relating to equal rights.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:*

Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state for their approval or rejection: Section 1 of the bill of rights of the constitution of the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

**"§ 1. Equal rights.** All men *and women* are possessed of equal and inalienable natural rights, among which are life *from conception*, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with the amendment as a whole:

*"Explanatory statement.* This amendment would amend and update the constitution of the state of Kansas to clearly guarantee the equal rights of men and women, beginning at conception.

"A vote for this proposition would amend and update the constitution of the state of Kansas to clearly guarantee the equal rights of men and women, beginning at conception.

"A vote against this proposition would make no changes to the constitution of the state of Kansas."

Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the Senate, shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays. The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year 2026.