



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2009 and 2010

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

SC0022

Introduced 2/18/2009, by Sen. Chris Lauzen

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

ILCON Art. III, Sec. 3

Proposes to amend the Suffrage and Elections Article of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that the right to vote by secret ballot (including designation or authorization of employee representation) is fundamental and may not be infringed. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the
6 electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general
7 election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of
8 this resolution a proposition to amend Article III of the
9 Illinois Constitution by changing Section 3 as follows:

10 ARTICLE III
11 SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS

12 (ILCON Art. III, Sec. 3)

13 SECTION 3. ELECTIONS; SECRECY OF BALLOT

14 (a) All elections shall be free and equal.

15 (b) The right of the people to vote by secret ballot is
16 fundamental. The right to vote by secret ballot in an election
17 under State or federal law for public office or on an
18 initiative or referendum, or to designate or authorize employee
19 representation, may not be infringed.

20 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

21 SCHEDULE

22 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being

1 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois
2 Constitutional Amendment Act.