



**98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2013 and 2014**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**HC0034**

Introduced , by Rep. La Shawn K. Ford

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. III, Sec. 8 new

Proposes to amend the Suffrage and Elections Article of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that no voting qualification or prerequisite to voting, or standard, practice, or procedure related to voting, shall be imposed or applied by the State or any political subdivision in a manner which results in a denial or abridgement of the right of any citizen of the State to vote on account of sex, race, color, or status as a member of a language minority. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION  
 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
 4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
 5 SENATE 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 add Section 8 to Article III  
 9 of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

10 ARTICLE III  
 11 SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS

12 (ILCON Art. III, Sec. 8 new)

13 SECTION 8. VOTING - RACE, GENDER, AND LANGUAGE

14 No voting qualification or prerequisite to voting, or  
 15 standard, practice, or procedure related to voting, shall be  
 16 imposed or applied by the State or any political subdivision of  
 17 the State in a manner which results in a denial or abridgement  
 18 of the right of any citizen of the State to vote on account of  
 19 sex, race, color, or status as a member of a language minority.

20 SCHEDULE

21 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being  
 22 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois

1 Constitutional Amendment Act.