

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 707 Session of
2010

INTRODUCED BY EICHELBERGER, SCARNATI, YAW, FOLMER, BRUBAKER,
ROBBINS, MUSTO, ALLOWAY, CORMAN, GORDNER, D. WHITE, ERICKSON,
PICCOLA, KASUNIC, MENSCH AND SMUCKER, FEBRUARY 8, 2010

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 8, 2010

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, providing for marriage between one man and
3 one woman.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
7 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

8 That Article I be amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 29. Marriage.

10 Only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid and
11 recognized as a marriage in this Commonwealth.

12 Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General
13 Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the
14 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to
15 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article
16 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the
17 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in
18 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after

1 passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

2 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this
3 proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the
4 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the
5 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
6 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required
7 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such
8 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of
9 this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the
10 Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment
11 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first
12 primary, general or municipal election which meets the
13 requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article
14 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least
15 three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is
16 passed by the General Assembly.