

## HJRES 56

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Families

**Introduced:** May 21, 2003

**Current Status:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.

**Latest Action:** Subcommittee Hearings Held. (May 13, 2004)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-joint-resolution/56>

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Rep. Lewis, Ron [R-KY-2]	R · KY		Jun 25, 2003
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Rep. Burns, Max [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Jul 8, 2003
Rep. Collins, Mac [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Jul 8, 2003
Rep. Hayes, Robin [R-NC-8]	R · NC		Jul 8, 2003
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Rep. Doolittle, John T. [R-CA-4]	R · CA		Jul 10, 2003
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Rep. Davis, Lincoln [D-TN-4]	D · TN		Jul 15, 2003
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Rep. Forbes, J. Randy [R-VA-4]	R · VA		Jul 23, 2003
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Rep. Gutknecht, Gil [R-MN-1]	R · MN		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Hayworth, J. D. [R-AZ-5]	R · AZ		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Hyde, Henry J. [R-IL-6]	R · IL		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Pearce, Stevan [R-NM-2]	R · NM		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Peterson, John E. [R-PA-5]	R · PA		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Pombo, Richard W. [R-CA-11]	R · CA		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Schrock, Edward L. [R-VA-2]	R · VA		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Smith, Christopher H. [R-NJ-4]	R · NJ		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Stearns, Cliff [R-FL-6]	R · FL		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Tiahrt, Todd [R-KS-4]	R · KS		Jul 23, 2003
Rep. Beauprez, Bob [R-CO-7]	R · CO		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Chocola, Chris [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Crane, Philip M. [R-IL-8]	R · IL		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Emerson, Jo Ann [R-MO-8]	R · MO		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Rohrabacher, Dana [R-CA-46]	R · CA		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Shuster, Bill [R-PA-9]	R · PA		Jul 24, 2003
Rep. Ballenger, Cass [R-NC-10]	R · NC		Jul 25, 2003
Rep. Myrick, Sue Wilkins [R-NC-9]	R · NC		Jul 25, 2003
Rep. Toomey, Patrick J. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Jul 25, 2003
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Feeney, Tom [R-FL-24]	R · FL		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Hart, Melissa A. [R-PA-4]	R · PA		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Lucas, Ken [D-KY-4]	D · KY		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Manzullo, Donald A. [R-IL-16]	R · IL		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Osborne, Tom [R-NE-3]	R · NE		Sep 3, 2003
Rep. Calvert, Ken [R-CA-44]	R · CA		Sep 9, 2003
Rep. Coble, Howard [R-NC-6]	R · NC		Sep 9, 2003

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Rep. Boozman, John [R-AR-3]	R · AR		Sep 10, 2003
Rep. Kingston, Jack [R-GA-1]	R · GA		Sep 10, 2003
Rep. Alexander, Rodney [D-LA-5]	D · LA		Sep 24, 2003
Rep. Goodlatte, Bob [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Sep 24, 2003
Rep. Tancredo, Thomas G. [R-CO-6]	R · CO		Sep 24, 2003
Rep. Bachus, Spencer [R-AL-6]	R · AL		Sep 30, 2003
Rep. McCotter, Thaddeus G. [R-MI-11]	R · MI		Sep 30, 2003
Rep. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Oct 7, 2003
Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		Oct 7, 2003
Rep. Aderholt, Robert B. [R-AL-4]	R · AL		Oct 8, 2003
Rep. Miller, Gary G. [R-CA-42]	R · CA		Oct 8, 2003
Rep. Keller, Ric [R-FL-8]	R · FL		Oct 15, 2003
Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-5]	R · IN		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Deal, Nathan [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Everett, Terry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Janklow, William J. [R-SD-At Large]	R · SD		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Neugebauer, Randy [R-TX-19]	R · TX		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Shadegg, John B. [R-AZ-3]	R · AZ		Nov 20, 2003
Rep. Brown-Waite, Ginny [R-FL-5]	R · FL		Nov 21, 2003
Rep. Cannon, Chris [R-UT-3]	R · UT		Nov 21, 2003
Rep. Hulshof, Kenny C. [R-MO-9]	R · MO		Nov 21, 2003
Rep. Smith, Lamar [R-TX-21]	R · TX		Nov 21, 2003
Rep. Blunt, Roy [R-MO-7]	R · MO		Jan 23, 2004
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Feb 10, 2004
Rep. Duncan, John J., Jr. [R-TN-2]	R · TN		Feb 10, 2004
Rep. Ferguson, Mike [R-NJ-7]	R · NJ		Feb 10, 2004
Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Feb 10, 2004
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Feb 24, 2004
Rep. Hefley, Joel [R-CO-5]	R · CO		Feb 24, 2004
Rep. Nussle, Jim [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Feb 24, 2004
Rep. Sandlin, Max [D-TX-1]	D · TX		Mar 2, 2004
Rep. Ney, Robert W. [R-OH-18]	R · OH		Mar 11, 2004
Rep. Oxley, Michael G. [R-OH-4]	R · OH		May 5, 2004
Rep. Bilirakis, Michael [R-FL-9]	R · FL		May 18, 2004
Rep. Miller, Candice S. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		May 19, 2004
Rep. Northup, Anne M. [R-KY-3]	R · KY		Jun 1, 2004
Rep. Bonilla, Henry [R-TX-23]	R · TX		Jun 8, 2004
Rep. Burr, Richard [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Jun 8, 2004
Rep. Taylor, Charles H. [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Jun 8, 2004
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Jul 6, 2004

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Rep. Lucas, Frank D. [R-OK-3]	R · OK		Jul 7, 2004
Rep. Radanovich, George [R-CA-19]	R · CA		Jul 22, 2004
Rep. Linder, John [R-GA-7]	R · GA		Sep 7, 2004
Rep. Marshall, Jim [D-GA-3]	D · GA		Sep 7, 2004
Rep. Bishop, Sanford D., Jr. [D-GA-2]	D · GA		Sep 29, 2004
Rep. McKeon, Howard P. "Buck" [R-CA-25]	R · CA		Sep 29, 2004

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 13, 2004

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Families

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 SJRES 26	Identical bill	Nov 25, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S16030-16031)

## Summary (as of May 21, 2003)

Constitutional Amendment - Declares that marriage in the United States shall consist only of the union of a man and a woman. Prohibits the Constitution or any State constitution, or State or Federal law from being construed to require that marital status or its legal incidents be conferred upon unmarried couples or groups.

## Actions Timeline

- **May 13, 2004:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jun 25, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
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