

2 HJR 4200 - S COMM AMD

3 By Committee on Health & Human Services

4 ADOPTED 4/6/93

5 Strike everything after page 1, line 7, and insert the following:

6 "Article I, section 11. Absolute freedom of conscience in all  
7 matters of religious sentiment, belief and worship, shall be guaranteed  
8 to every individual, and no one shall be molested or disturbed in  
9 person or property on account of religion; but the liberty of  
10 conscience hereby secured shall not be so construed as to excuse acts  
11 of licentiousness or justify practices inconsistent with the peace and  
12 safety of the state. No public money or property shall be appropriated  
13 for or applied to any religious worship, exercise or instruction, or  
14 the support of any religious establishment: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, That  
15 this article shall not be so construed as to forbid the employment by  
16 the state of a chaplain for such of the state custodial, correctional,  
17 and mental institutions, or by a state's, county's, or public hospital  
18 district's hospital, health care facility, or hospice, as in the  
19 discretion of the legislature may seem justified. No religious  
20 qualification shall be required for any public office or employment,  
21 nor shall any person be incompetent as a witness or juror, in  
22 consequence of his opinion on matters of religion, nor be questioned in  
23 any court of justice touching his religious belief to affect the weight  
24 of his testimony.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause  
26 notice of the foregoing constitutional amendment to be published at  
27 least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in  
28 every legal newspaper in the state."

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