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Brief Description: Reaffirming and protecting the institution of marriage.

HB 2176 - DIGEST

Provides that the uniting of two persons in a nonmarital domestic relationship, including a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar relationship when the persons are other than a male and a female is not valid in this state, and such a uniting of two persons recognized as valid in another jurisdiction is not recognized as valid in this state.

Provides that a person in a nonmarital domestic relationship shall not qualify for, or receive, any spousal, familial, or marital benefit, privilege, advantage, or entitlement, or any equivalent thereof, that is paid for, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, with public funds.

Requires the secretary of state to submit this act to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this state, in accordance with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution and the laws adopted to facilitate its operation.