

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 17CA

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Introduced by McKinney, 11.

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Committee: Judiciary

1 THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST
2 SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

3 Section 1. At the general election in November 2024, the following
4 proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to
5 the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

6 To amend Article I, section 9:

7 I-9 (1) All persons shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, except
8 for treason, sexual offenses involving penetration by force or against
9 the will of the victim, and murder, where the proof is evident or the
10 presumption great. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive
11 fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted.

12 (2) The death penalty shall not be imposed for any offense. Any
13 sentence of death is commuted to a sentence of life imprisonment.

14 Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors
15 in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI,
16 section 1, with the following ballot language:

17 A constitutional amendment to eliminate the death penalty and
18 commute sentences of death to life imprisonment.

19 For

20 Against.