

**One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LR26CA**

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**Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: March 01, 2023**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LR26CA proposes that an amendment be submitted to voters to repeal Article I, section 29 of the State Constitution. Currently, Article I, section 29 is a dated and unenforceable amendment which states that only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska and that the uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska.

Article 1, section 29 of the Nebraska Constitution was rendered obsolete and unenforceable by the United States Supreme Court in *Obergefell v. Hodges* in 2015.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Jen Day**