## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 617

Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY DIAMOND, HAMM, STEHR, M. MACKENZIE, JAMES, GREINER, KAUFFMAN, COOPER, SCIALABBA, BOROWICZ AND ZIMMERMAN, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for right to medical freedom.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby resolves as follows:
- 5 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
- 6 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:
- 7 That Article I be amended by adding a section to read:
- 8 § 30. Right to medical freedom.
- 9 The right of an individual to refuse any medical procedure,
- 10 treatment, injection, vaccine or prophylactic may not be
- 11 questioned or interfered with in any manner. Equality of rights
- 12 under the law shall not be denied or abridged to any person in
- 13 this Commonwealth because of the exercise of the right under
- 14 this section.
- 15 Section 2. The following procedure applies to the proposed
- 16 constitutional amendment in this joint resolution
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1 constitutional amendment in this joint resolution:

2 (1) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of 3 the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall 4 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising 5 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution 6 of Pennsylvania.

(2) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit the amendment to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first general or municipal election which meets the requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

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