



1997 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 44

March 27, 1997 - Introduced by Representatives SCHNEIDER, TURNER, REYNOLDS, BOYLE, GRONEMUS and HASENOHRL, cosponsored by Senator WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law.

1 **To amend** sections 1 and 3 of article VI; **relating to:** creating the office of privacy
2 advocate (first consideration).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 1997 legislature on first consideration, creates the office of privacy advocate. The privacy advocate shall be an elected officer, elected at the general election in which the governor is chosen, and shall serve a 4-year term. The powers, duties and compensation of the privacy advocate shall be prescribed by law.

A proposed constitutional amendment requires adoption by 2 successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

3 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:***

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 1 of article VI of the constitution is amended to read:

5 [Article VI] Section 1. The qualified electors of this state, at the times and
6 places of choosing the members of the legislature, shall in 1970 and every 4 years
7 thereafter elect a secretary of state, treasurer and attorney general and at the first
8 general election at which the governor is elected which occurs after the ratification
9 of this amendment and every 4 years thereafter elect a privacy advocate who shall
10 hold their offices for 4 years.

11 **SECTION 2.** Section 3 of article VI of the constitution is amended to read:

1 [Article VI] Section 3. The powers, duties and compensation of the treasurer,
2 privacy advocate and attorney general shall be prescribed by law.

3 ***Be it further resolved, That*** this proposed amendment be referred to the
4 legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for 3
5 months previous to the time of holding such election.

6 (END)