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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA BY ADDING ARTICLE XXXIV; RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST MINORS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of
2 Representatives concurring:

3 1. Article XXIII, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be added
4 as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the Governor:

5 ARTICLE XXIII. THE PROTECTION OF ARIZONA'S CHILDREN

6 1. Child sex trafficking; natural life imprisonment;
7 definition

8 SECTION 1. A. IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN OF
9 ARIZONA, AN ADULT WHO IS CONVICTED OF SEX TRAFFICKING OF A
10 MINOR CHILD SHALL BE SENTENCED TO NATURAL LIFE IMPRISONMENT
11 AND IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ANY FORM OF RELEASE.

12 B. THE LEGISLATURE MAY IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION AS
13 APPROPRIATE.

14 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "SEX TRAFFICKING
15 OF A MINOR CHILD" MEANS KNOWINGLY PAYING FOR SEX WITH A MINOR,
16 RECEIVING PAYMENT FOR PLACING A MINOR IN ANOTHER PERSON'S
17 CUSTODY WITH INTENT TO CAUSE THE MINOR TO ENGAGE IN SEX WITH
18 ANOTHER PERSON OR PROVIDING OR OBTAINING A MINOR WITH INTENT
19 TO CAUSE THE MINOR TO ENGAGE IN SEX WITH ANOTHER PERSON.

20 2. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the
21 voters at the next general election as provided by article XXI,
22 Constitution of Arizona.