

# Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 - Introduced

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

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1 A Concurrent Resolution requesting the United States  
2 Food and Drug Administration to rescind approval of  
3 ulipristal acetate.

4 WHEREAS, the United States food and drug  
5 administration approved ulipristal acetate, marketed  
6 in the United States under the brand name "ella", on  
7 August 13, 2010; and

8 WHEREAS, ella was approved as an emergency  
9 contraceptive for use to reduce the risk of pregnancy  
10 up to five days after unprotected intercourse or  
11 contraceptive failure; and

12 WHEREAS, even though ella was approved only as an  
13 emergency contraceptive, it has chemical similarities  
14 to existing drugs such as mifepristone (RU-486), used  
15 as abortifacients; and

16 WHEREAS, the potential for misuse of ella as an  
17 abortifacient could result in unintended abortions and  
18 put women's lives at risk; NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF  
20 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the Iowa General  
21 Assembly requests that the United States food and drug  
22 administration rescind its approval of ella based upon  
23 its potential use as an abortifacient rather than for  
24 its approved purpose as an emergency contraceptive; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
26 resolution be sent to the office of the commissioner of  
27 the United States food and drug administration and each  
28 member of Iowa's congressional delegation.