Fiscal Services Division Legislative Services Agency Fiscal Note

SJR 2002 - Marriage Constitutional Amendment (LSB 5177 SS) Analyst: Jennifer Acton (Phone: (515) 281-7846) (jennifer.acton@legis.state.ia.us) Fiscal Note Version - New

Description

Senate Joint Resolution 2002 proposes an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa regarding marriage in the State of Iowa.

Assumptions

- 1. Senate Joint Resolution 2002 adds a new section to the Iowa Constitution which states only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in the State of Iowa.
- 2. If the Resolution is adopted, it would be referred to the next General Assembly for adoption a second time before being submitted to the electorate for ratification.
- 3. The Fall of 2004 is a regular general election. The Fall of 2005 would require a special election. The Fall of 2006 would be a regular general election.
- 4. The cost of the most recent special election for a Constitutional amendment was \$1.4 million.

Fiscal Impact

If SJR 2002 goes before the electorate in the year of a general election, the cost is minimal. If SJR 2002 goes before the electorate in a year when a general election is not scheduled and a special election has to be held, the cost is approximately \$1.4 million.

Source

Secretary of State

Dennis C Prouty

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