

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 127

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article I, of the
Constitution of Tennessee, relative to abortion.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CONCURRING, that a two-thirds majority of all the members of each house concurring, as
shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article I, of the
Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language as a new,
appropriately designated section:

Nothing in this Constitution secures or protects a right to abortion or requires the
funding of an abortion. The people retain the right through their elected state
representatives and state senators to enact, amend, or repeal statutes regarding
abortion, including, but not limited to, circumstances of pregnancy resulting from rape or
incest or when necessary to save the life of the mother.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article XI, Section 3 of the
Constitution of the State of Tennessee the foregoing proposed amendment shall be submitted
to the people at the next general election in which a governor is to be chosen, the same being
the 2014 November general election, and the secretary of state is directed to place such
proposed amendment on the ballot for that election.