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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating
to parental rights.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOEKSTRA introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred
to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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States relating to parental rights.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
8 States within seven years after the date of its submission
9 for ratification:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. The liberty of parents to direct the up-
3 bringing and education of their children is a fundamental
4 right.

5 “SECTION 2. Neither the United States nor any State
6 shall infringe upon this right without demonstrating that
7 its governmental interest as applied to the person is of
8 the highest order and not otherwise served.

9 “SECTION 3. No treaty may be adopted nor shall any
10 source of international law be employed to supersede, mod-
11 ify, interpret, or apply to the rights guaranteed by this
12 article.”.

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