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## **SENATE** STATE OF MINNESOTA NINETY-THIRD SESSION

A bill for an act

S.F. No. 37

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Referred to State and Local Government and Veterans Withdrawn and re-referred to Judiciary and Public Safety
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1.2 1.3	relating to state government; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article I, by adding a section; providing for equality under the law.
1.4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.5	Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.
1.6	An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment
1.7	is adopted, a section shall be added to article I, to read:
1.8	Sec. 18. Equality under the law shall not be abridged or denied by this state or any of
1.9	its cities, counties, or other political subdivisions on account of race, color, creed, sex, sexual
1.10	orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, ancestry, or national origin.
1.11	Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.
1.12	(a) The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2024 general election.
1.13	If ratified, the amendment is effective January 1, 2025. The question submitted must be:
1.14	"Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended by adding a specific guarantee that
1.15	equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by this state or any of its
1.16	cities, counties, or other political subdivisions on account of race, color, creed, sex, sexual
1.17	orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, ancestry, or national origin?
1.18	<u>Yes</u>
1.19	<u>No</u> "
1.20	(b) The title required under Minnesota Statutes, section 204D.15, subdivision 1, for the
1.21	question submitted to the people under paragraph (a) shall be: "Equal Rights Amendment."