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SUMMARY

- Proposes to amend the Ohio Constitution to make housing a fundamental human right.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Constitutional right to housing in Ohio

The resolution proposes to amend the Ohio Constitution to make housing a fundamental human right within Ohio. The purpose of doing so is to ensure access to adequate housing for all Ohioans. The state and local jurisdictions will be obligated to respect, protect, and fulfill this right to housing. This will be done through progressively implemented measures, consistent with available resources, and should be fulfilled within an aggressive but reasonable time frame.¹ These obligations mirror the duties of states derived from the “International Bill of Human Rights.”²

Election and effective date

The resolution specifies that the amendment will be submitted to the electors at the general election to be held on November 8, 2022. If adopted by a majority of electors voting on it, the amendment takes effect immediately.³

¹ Ohio Constitution, Article I, Section 22.

² See [International Human Rights Law](#), which may be accessed through the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights website: ohchr.org.

³ Ohio Const., art. I, sec. 22. An amendment is needed to revise the date on which the constitutional amendment is to be submitted to the electors.

HISTORY

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