

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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**Expressing that Congress has the sole and exclusive power to make exceptions to cases heard under the appellate jurisdiction of the United States Supreme Court, and identifying certain exceptions.**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

\_\_\_\_\_, 2011

Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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Whereas paragraph 2 of Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of the United States declares: "In all other cases before mentioned, the Supreme Court shall have appellate jurisdiction, both as to law and fact, **with such exceptions and under such regulations as the Congress shall make.**"

Whereas state courts have resolved cases on the basis of the state's moral climate, only to have such cases appealed to the United States Supreme Court and overturned.

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That, pursuant to the above cited Article, cases relating to public or private religious expression, definitions of marriage, sexual practice, and abortion are exceptions identified by Congress and removed accordingly from the appellate jurisdiction of the United States Supreme Court.*

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