

****All names listed in the roll call are legislators currently holding office.**

HB 1 (2018) - Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)

This legislation passed and became part of the Delaware State Constitution in 2019. The Amendment states “Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged on account of sex.”

Application: The ERA does not garner rights for women that they do not already have. While presented as mostly symbolic, the intent of the ERA, as expressed by organizations promoting it nationally, is to elevate “sex discrimination” to include the “gender spectrum” which encompasses gender identity and expression and sexual orientation. On the basis of sex discrimination, it is hoped for by abortion activist groups that the ERA will establish a Constitutional foothold for securing the right to abortion without restrictions and/or provide additional legal support to buttress attempts too restrict abortions.

ERA Roll Call:

SUPPORT

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Baumbach

Bennett

Bentz

Bolden

Brady

Briggs-King

Bush

Carson

Chukwuocha

Cooke

D.Short

Dorsey-Walker

Gray

Griffith

Heffernan

Hensley

K. Johnson

K. Williams

Kowalko

Longhurst

Lynn

Matthews

Michael

Smith

Minor-Brown

Mitchell

Osienski

Ramone

Schwartzkopf

Shupe

Smyk

Spiegelman

Senate

Bonini

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Cloutier

Delcollo

Ennis

Poore

Sokola

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Pettyjohn

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