

# PRINCETON MODEL CONGRESS

**Committee:**

**Principal Author:**

**Bill No:**

**Delegation:**

**Title of Bill:**

**Freedom of Marriage Act**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PRINCETON MODEL CONGRESS

- 1 Preamble: Whereas same-sex civil unions are legal only in California, Hawaii and Vermont,  
2 and since same-sex marriage is only legal in Massachusetts, and since marriage is currently  
3 defined as a union between a man and woman, and since the Defense of Marriage Act  
4 prevents same-sex couples from receiving family health coverage, medical and bereavement  
5 leave, child custody, tax benefits and pension plans, and since the Supreme Court declared  
6 marriage as a fundamental right under the Constitution,  
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8 SECTION 1: Let the definition of marriage be only a legal union between one man and one  
9 woman, one man and one man and one woman and one woman.  
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11 SECTION 2: Let married couples, as defined in SECTION 1, and persons in a civil union  
12 receive all rights and benefits reserved for married couples under the definition of marriage  
13 in the Defense of Marriage Act.  
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15 SECTION 3: Let same-sex couples receive equal opportunity, privilege and right to adopt a  
16 child.  
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18 SECTION 4: Let states receive increased federal funding.  
19       Sub-SECTION A: 15% increase in highway funding and 10% increase in  
20       discretionary funding when adopting SECTION 1  
21       Sub-SECTION A: 15% increase in highway funding and 15% increase in  
22       discretionary funding when adopting SECTION 2  
23       Sub-SECTION A: 5% increase in highway funding and 2% increase in  
24       discretionary funding when adopting SECTION 3  
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26 SECTION 5: This bill shall go into effect 91 days after passage.  
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