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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 61 by Representative Scalise

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, after "define marriage;" delete the remainder of the line and insert "to  
3 provide for valid and recognized marriages; to provide for the legal incidents of marriage;"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, delete lines 10 through 16 in their entirety and insert the following:

6 "§27. Defense of Marriage

7 Section 27. Marriage in the state of Louisiana shall consist only of the union  
8 of one man and one woman. No official or court of the state of Louisiana shall  
9 construe this constitution or any state law to require that marriage or the legal  
10 incidents thereof be conferred upon any member of a union other than the union of  
11 one man and one woman. A legal status identical or substantially similar to that of  
12 marriage for unmarried individuals shall not be valid or recognized. No official or  
13 court of the state of Louisiana shall recognize any marriage contracted in any other  
14 jurisdiction which is not the union of one man and one woman."

15 AMENDMENT NO. 3

16 On page 2, delete lines 5 through 10 in their entirety and insert the following:

17 "To provide that marriage in this state shall consist of the union of one man and one  
18 woman; to provide that legal incidents of marriage shall not be conferred upon a  
19 union other than the union of one man and one woman; to provide that a legal status  
20 similar to marriage shall not be valid or recognized for unmarried individuals; to  
21 prohibit the recognition of any marriage contracted in another state which is not the  
22 union of one man and one woman. (Adds Article I, Section 27)"