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House Resolution 432

By: Representatives Rakestraw of the 19th, Spencer of the 180th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Welch of the 110th, Reeves of the 34th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the General Assembly to
- 2 provide by general law for an allocation of all moneys derived from fees charged for the
- 3 deactivation of digital blocking capability on products sold in this state that make content
- 4 accessible on the Internet to be paid into a trust fund to be used to provide nonpermanent
- 5 long-term residential mental health and addiction treatment, holistic mental health and
- 6 addiction counseling, and treatment alternatives to psychiatric drug therapy; to provide for
- 7 related matters; to provide for the redesignation of a current subparagraph of the
- 8 Constitution; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection;
- 9 and for other purposes.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

- 12 Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by redesignating
- 13 subparagraph (o), relating to the dedication of the excise tax on fireworks, as
- 14 subparagraph (p) and by adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:
- 15 "(q) The General Assembly is authorized to provide by general law for the Georgia
- 16 Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Trust Fund into which all moneys collected from
- 17 fees charged for the deactivation of digital blocking capability on products sold in this state
- 18 that make content accessible on the Internet shall be paid, and such moneys shall be
- 19 dedicated for the purpose of providing nonpermanent long-term residential mental health
- 20 and addiction treatment, holistic mental health and addiction counseling, and treatment
- 21 alternatives to psychiatric drug therapy. The revenues dedicated pursuant to this
- subparagraph shall not lapse, the provisions of Article III, Section IX, Paragraph IV(c) of 23 the Constitution to the contrary notwithstanding, and such revenues shall not be subject to
- the limitations of subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or Article VII, Section III, Paragraph 24
- II of the Constitution." 25

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SECTION 2.

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to create the Georgia

() NO Mental Health and Addiction Treatment Trust Fund to provide nonpermanent long-term residential mental health and addiction treatment, holistic mental health and addiction counseling, and treatment alternatives to psychiatric drug therapy by dedicating to such purposes all moneys collected from fees charged for the deactivation of filters that prevent the viewing of obscene materials such as child pornography and other types of pornography on products sold in this state that make content accessible on the Internet?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.