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Abstract: Constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to place limitations on the extent of recovery for damages to property rights affected by coastal restoration activities.

Present constitution (Art. 1, §4) prohibits the state from taking property except under certain conditions and with just compensation paid to the owner.

Proposed constitutional amendment authorizes the legislature to place limitations on the extent of recovery for the taking of, or loss or damage to, property rights affected by coastal wetlands conservation, management, preservation, enhancement, creation, or restoration activities and otherwise retains present constitution.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the gubernatorial primary election in 2003.

(Amends Const. Art. I, §4)