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## DIGEST

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HB 152 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Adds the fundamental right of parents to raise their children in accordance with their own values and traditions.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that parents have the paramount right to raise their children in accordance with their own values and traditions.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that parents shall make decisions for their children regarding where they reside, the educational, moral, ethical, and religious training of the child, the medical, psychiatric, surgical, and preventive health care of the child, and the discipline of the child.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the role of the state in the family is limited and should only be asserted when there is a serious threat to the family.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that any law, rule, regulation, or decision which would diminish parental rights shall be subject to strict scrutiny.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Oct. 14, 2023.

(Adds Const. Art. I, §28)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill:

1. Replace proposed law with provisions modeled after the preamble of the Children's Code.
2. Provide that parents have the paramount right to raise their children in accordance with their own values and traditions.
3. Provide that the role of the state in the family is limited and should only be asserted when there is a serious threat to the family.
4. Provide that any law, rule, regulation, or decision which would diminish parental rights

shall be subject to strict scrutiny.

5. Change ballot language to reflect the changes to proposed law.