

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 01

76TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE(S): REP. BADAMO, 25, REP. STEINBACK, 3

Filed on June 22, 2016 Caleb Bruemmer, Chief Clerk

A RESOLUTION

TO REVOKE SECTION A OF RULE III OF THE OFFICIAL RULES OF THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election held at Missouri Boys State, or at a special election called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for the adoption or rejection, the following amendment of the Constitution of Missouri Boys State.

Section A. According to article II section III of the Missouri Boys State Constitution, “No person shall be required to attend or support any minority or place of worship against his consent, nor shall any preference be given by law to any religious denomination or mode of worship.” This basic right given to every MBS citizen is directly contradicted by Rule III of the Official Rule of the House of Representative, “The first of each day, after the House is called to order shall be employed as follows unless otherwise ordered by the House: [a] Prayer. “This is also the exact same Rule III of the Official rules of the Senate. This resolution is in no way attempting to discriminate against any Christian denomination; it simply attempts to create an environment in the government where one faith is not favored, an environment where everyone is not forced to participate in a prayer of a religion that may differ from their own, and finally an environment where everyone is welcome.