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WASHINGTON LAWMAKERS MOVE TOWARD GAY MARRIAGE

Gary Randall, President of Faith & Freedom said, "By passing the domestic partnership bill today, the Washington Legislature has chosen a path toward gay marriage."

Senator Ed Murray, Rep. Jim Moeller, and other sponsors of the bill have made it clear to both the press and the public that the ultimate prize is "marriage equality" – or gay marriage.

Randall said, "I think a number of legislators who are not comfortable with voting for gay marriage chose this vote as an alternative. Unfortunately, rather than a helpful compromise, this decision will most likely prove to be an enabling step toward same-sex marriage, as we are seeing in New Jersey." Randall also said, "As this plays out over the next year or so, some lawmakers may find themselves at odds with their constituents, in that a majority of Washington citizens do not favor gay marriage."

Jon Russell, Senior Field Director and lobbyist said, "I think the bill is inherently discriminatory because it extends benefits to homosexuals and elderly unmarried couples living together while excluding many other classes of relationships."

Faith & Freedom is reviewing the viable options of response.