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Gay Marriage

Ten states urged the California Supreme Court to delay finalizing its ruling to overturn the state's ban on gay marriage. The states say they need time to decide if or how they will recognize marriages of gay and lesbian residents of their own states who may marry in California. The court rejected the states' request and gay marriages will begin to take place statewide on June 17, 2008.

<http://q13.trb.com/news/kcpq-053008-gay,0,3489999.story>

[http://www.examiner.com/a-](http://www.examiner.com/a-1425660~Court_refuses_to_delay_start_of_same_sex_marriages_until_November.html)

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On Monday, the California Secretary of State certified the signatures on a petition to place a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage on the ballot in November. Backers of the initiative needed 694,354 valid signatures but turned in 1.1 million. The initiative would limit marriage to a union between a man and a woman.

[http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-](http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2008/06/03/BAMJ1125FV.DTL&type=printable)

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