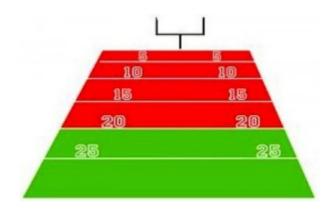
FEDERAL AMENDMENT ON MARRIAGE NEEDED



Bill Donohue comments on the two decisions reached by the U.S. Supreme Court on the issue of same-sex marriage:

It is clear from today's two rulings that the ball has been moved down the field to a point where the pro-gay marriage side is in the red zone. Whether they can be stopped from crossing the goal line depends solely on the prospects of having a constitutional amendment affirming marriage as a union between a man and a woman.

The 38 states needed to pass such an amendment are not the problem—we already have 38 states that have their own laws restricting marriage to a man and a woman—the problem is getting two-thirds of the House and two-thirds of the Senate to agree.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops supports a federal marriage amendment. The Catholic League does as well.