

1 SB394
2 118027-1
3 By Senators French, Marsh, Pittman, and Sanford
4 (Constitutional Amendment)
5 RFD: Economic Expansion and Trade
6 First Read: 09-FEB-10

2
3
4
5
6
7
8 SYNOPSIS: Currently, members of the Legislature are
9 granted certain immunity from arrest when they are
10 traveling to and from and attending sessions of the
11 Legislature.

12 This bill would propose an amendment to the
13 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to repeal Section
14 56 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now
15 appearing as Section 56 of the Official
16 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of
17 1901, to repeal legislative immunity.

18
19 A BILL

20 TO BE ENTITLED

21 AN ACT

22
23 To propose an amendment to the Constitution of
24 Alabama of 1901, to repeal Section 56 of the Constitution of
25 Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 56 of the Official
26 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to
27 repeal legislative immunity.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

2 Section 1. The following amendment to the
3 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, is proposed and
4 shall become valid as a part thereof when approved by a
5 majority of the qualified electors voting thereon and in
6 accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution
7 of Alabama of 1901, as amended:

8 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

9 Section 56 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901,
10 relating to legislative immunity, is hereby repealed.

11 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment
12 shall be held in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the
13 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Sections 284
14 and 285 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of
15 Alabama of 1901, as amended, and the election laws of this
16 state.

17 Section 3. The appropriate election official shall
18 assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional
19 amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the
20 following description of the substance or subject matter of
21 the proposed constitutional amendment:

22 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
23 Alabama of 1901, to repeal Section 56 of the Constitution of
24 Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 56 of the Official
25 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to
26 repeal legislative immunity.

27 "Proposed by Act _____."

1 This description shall be followed by the following
2 language:
3 "Yes () No ()."