HB510

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By Representatives McMillan, Shiver, Baker and Faust

(Constitutional Amendment)

RFD: Baldwin County Legislation

First Read: 07-APR-16
SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose a local constitutional amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, relating to municipalities in Baldwin County, to authorize the Legislature by general or local law to provide for the incorporation of a toll road and bridge authority as a public corporation in any municipality in the county for the construction and operation of toll roads and bridges in the municipality and to authorize the authority to issue revenue bonds to finance the projects.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To propose a local constitutional amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, relating to municipalities in Baldwin County; to authorize the Legislature by general or local law to provide for the incorporation of a toll road and
bridge authority as a public corporation in any municipality in the county for the construction and operation of toll roads and bridges in the municipality and to authorize the authority to issue revenue bonds to finance the projects.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, is proposed and shall become valid as a part of the Constitution when all requirements of this act are fulfilled:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

In Baldwin County, the Legislature may provide by general or local law for any municipality in the county to incorporate a toll road and bridge authority for the construction and operation of toll roads and bridges within the municipality. The authority may issue revenue bonds to finance any projects which bonds shall not constitute a debt or liability of the municipality. The general or local law shall provide for the membership of the authority, the powers and duties of the authority, and any other provisions necessary to effectuate the purpose of this amendment, including providing by local law for criminal penalties for the failure to pay tolls. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any municipality in Baldwin County, Baldwin County, including any entity created by the county, and the State of Alabama, including the State Department of Transportation, may participate in the purposes of the authority and may provide funding to aid in the purposes of the authority.
Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment shall be held in accordance with Amendment 555 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 284.01 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, and the election laws of this state.

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

"Relating to municipalities in Baldwin County; proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Legislature by general or local law to provide for any municipalities in the county to incorporate a toll road and bridge authority as a public corporation in the municipality for the construction and operation of toll roads and bridges in the municipality and to authorize the authority to issue revenue bonds to finance the projects.

"Proposed by Act _________"

This description shall be followed by the following language:

"Yes ( ) No ( )."