

1 HB319
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3 By Representatives Coleman, McCutcheon, Daniels, Garrett,
4 Robbins and Drummond (Constitutional Amendment)
5 RFD: Constitution, Campaigns and Elections
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SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Code Commissioner, contingent upon the ratification of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to renumber and place ratified constitutional amendments, based on a logical sequence and the particular subject or topic of the amendment, and to provide for the transfer of existing annotations to any section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to the section as it is numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Code Commissioner, contingent upon the ratification of an official Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to renumber and place ratified

1 constitutional amendments, based on a logical sequence and the
2 particular subject or topic of the amendment, and to provide
3 for the transfer of existing annotations to any section of the
4 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to the section as it is
5 numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022.
6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

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

13 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

14 Contingent upon the ratification of the Constitution
15 of Alabama of 2022:

16 (a) The Code Commissioner shall number and place any
17 constitutional amendment ratified on the date of ratification
18 of this amendment as appropriate in the Constitution of
19 Alabama of 2022, based upon a logical sequence and the
20 particular subject or topic of the amendment.

21 (b) (1) Any judicial decision interpreting a
22 provision of the Alabama Constitution of 1901, shall remain
23 valid as to the appropriate provision in the Constitution of
24 Alabama of 2022, that has not been substantively changed by
25 the Constitution of Alabama of 2022. Any case annotation to
26 any section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, compiled
27 and published prior to the ratification of this amendment

1 shall apply to the section as it is numbered or renumbered in
2 the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, as authorized by
3 Amendment 951.

4 (2) The Code Commissioner shall instruct the
5 publisher of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of
6 Alabama of 1901, to transfer, organize, and otherwise arrange
7 annotations to the same or renumbered sections of the
8 Constitution of Alabama of 2022, except to the extent
9 substantively changed.

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

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

21 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
22 Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Code Commissioner,
23 contingent upon the ratification of an official Constitution
24 of Alabama of 2022, to renumber and place constitutional
25 amendments ratified before or on the same day as the
26 Constitution of Alabama of 2022, based on a logical sequence
27 and the particular subject or topic of the amendment, and to

1 provide for the transfer of existing annotations to any
2 section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to the section
3 as it is numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama
4 of 2022.

5 "Proposed by Act _____."

6 This description shall be followed by the following
7 language:

8 "Yes () No ()."