

1 HB64
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8 (Constitutional Amendment)
9 RFD: Constitution, Campaigns and Elections
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose an amendment to
9 Amendment 579 to the Constitution of Alabama of
10 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official
11 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of
12 1901, as amended, to provide that the right of
13 individuals to vote for public office, public votes
14 on referenda, or votes of employee representation
15 by secret ballot is guaranteed.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT

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21 To propose an amendment to Amendment 579 to the
22 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 177
23 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama
24 of 1901, as amended, to provide that the right of individuals
25 to vote for public office, public votes on referenda, or votes
26 of employee representation by secret ballot is guaranteed.
27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 elections for public office or public votes on referenda, or
2 designations or authorizations of employee representation, the
3 right of individuals to vote by secret ballot shall be
4 guaranteed."

5 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment
6 shall be held in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the
7 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Sections 284
8 and 285 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of
9 Alabama of 1901, as amended, and the election laws of this
10 state.

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

16 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
17 Alabama of 1901, to amend Amendment 579 to the Constitution of
18 Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official
19 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
20 amended, to provide that the right of individuals to vote for
21 public office, public votes on referenda, or votes of employee
22 representation by secret ballot is fundamental.

23 "Proposed by Act _____."

24 This description shall be followed by the following
25 language:

26 "Yes () No ()."