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- 3 By Senator Bedford (Constitutional Amendment)
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8	SYNOPSIS: Under Amendment 518 of the Constitution of
9	Alabama of 1901, the Franklin County Water
10	Coordinating and Fire Prevention Authority is
11	authorized to provide water and fire prevention
12	services in Franklin County.
13	This bill proposes a local Constitutional
14	Amendment for Franklin County amend Amendment 518
15	to allow the authority to provide sewer services
16	and broadband services in the county.
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18	A BILL
19	TO BE ENTITLED
20	AN ACT
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22	To amend Amendment 518 of the Constitution of
23	Alabama of 1901, relating to the Franklin County, to allow the
24	Franklin County Water Coordinating and Fire Prevention
25	Authority to provide sewer services and broadband services in
26	the county.
27	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LECISLATURE OF ALARAMA.

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

Amendment 518.

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The legislature may, by general or local law, provide for the creation, incorporation, organization, operation, administration, authority and financing of a Franklin county water coordinating, and fire prevention authority in all or in portions of Franklin county as a public corporation to provide any one or more of the following local public services: Obtain, treat, and furnish water, provide sewer services, and broadband Internet service for residential, commercial, or industrial purposes and for any other local service permitted by such general or local law; authorize such authority to fix and collect rates, fees, and charges for such services, and to provide penalties for nonpayment and liens upon the property within such the public water authority; grant or vest the privilege of eminent domain to such the public water authority for the purpose of taking property for public use in accordance with Article XII, Section 235, of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901; authorize the borrowing of money and the issuance of bonds and other obligations by or on behalf of such the public water authority, provided that Franklin county shall not be responsible for any such bond or obligation and no such bond

or obligation shall be chargeable against the limit on the debt of Franklin county; extend the service area into one or more other counties; and provide for fire protection facilities or services. Any law enacted at the 1988 special session of the legislature to authorize the creation of such authority in Franklin county and to implement this amendment to the Constitution (whether with or without published notice of intention) shall become effective upon the ratification of this amendment.

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 Franklin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to allow the Franklin County Water Coordinating and Fire Prevention Authority to provide sewer services and broadband Internet services in the county.

"Proposed by Act "

This description shall be followed by the following language:

"Yes () No ()."