

1 SB313
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3 By Senator Marsh (Constitutional Amendment)
4 RFD: Governmental Affairs
5 First Read: 18-APR-19

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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 To amend Article VIII of the Constitution of Alabama
6 of 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official
7 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
8 amended, to provide that only a citizen of the United States
9 has the right to vote.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

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

17 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

18 Article VIII of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901,
19 as amended, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official
20 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
21 amended, is amended to read as follows:

22 "ARTICLE VIII.

23 "SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS.

24 "(a) ~~Every~~ Only a citizen of the United States who
25 has attained the age of eighteen years and has resided in this

1 state and in a county thereof for the time provided by law, if
2 registered as provided by law, shall have the right to vote in
3 the county of his or her residence. The Legislature may
4 prescribe reasonable and nondiscriminatory requirements as
5 prerequisites to registration for voting. The Legislature
6 shall, by statute, prescribe a procedure by which eligible
7 citizens can register to vote.

8 "(b) No person convicted of a felony involving moral
9 turpitude, or who is mentally incompetent, shall be qualified
10 to vote until restoration of civil and political rights or
11 removal of disability.

12 "(c) The Legislature shall by law provide for the
13 registration of voters, absentee voting, secrecy in voting,
14 the administration of elections, and the nomination of
15 candidates."

16 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment
17 shall be held in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the
18 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Sections 284
19 and 285 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of
20 Alabama of 1901, as amended, and the election laws of this
21 state.

22 Section 3. The appropriate election official shall
23 assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional
24 amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the

1 following description of the substance or subject matter of
2 the proposed constitutional amendment:

3 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
4 Alabama of 1901, to amend Article VIII of the Constitution of
5 Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official
6 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
7 amended, to provide that only a citizen of the United States
8 has the right to vote.

9 "Proposed by Act _____."

10 This description shall be followed by the following
11 language:

12 "Yes () No ()."

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
Passed: 30-MAY-19

By: Senator Marsh