

## HB240 INTRODUCED



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SYNOPSIS:

The Constitution of Alabama of 2022, provides that it is the public policy of this state to recognize and support the sanctity of unborn life, the rights of unborn children, including the right to life.

This bill would propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to provide that an extrauterine embryo is not an "unborn life" or "unborn child."

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Proposing an amendment to Section 36.06 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, relating to unborn children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, is proposed:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

"Section 36.06

(a) This state acknowledges, declares, and affirms that it is the public policy of this state to recognize and support the sanctity of unborn life and the rights of unborn children,



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29 including the right to life.

30 (b) This state further acknowledges, declares, and  
31 affirms that it is the public policy of this state to ensure  
32 the protection of the rights of the unborn child in all  
33 manners and measures lawful and appropriate.

34 (c) Nothing in this constitution secures or protects a  
35 right to abortion or requires the funding of an abortion.

36 (d) For the purpose of this section, an extrauterine  
37 embryo is not an "unborn life" or "unborn child."

38 Upon ratification of this constitutional amendment, the  
39 Code Commissioner shall number and place this amendment as  
40 appropriate in the constitution omitting this instructional  
41 paragraph and may make the following nonsubstantive revisions:  
42 change capitalization, hierarchy, spelling, and punctuation  
43 for purposes of style and uniformity; correct manifest  
44 grammatical, clerical, and typographical errors; revise  
45 internal or external citations and cross-references; harmonize  
46 language; and translate effective dates.

47 END OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

48 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment  
49 shall be held in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the  
50 Constitution of Alabama of 2022, and the election laws of this  
51 state. The appropriate election official shall assign a ballot  
52 number for the proposed constitutional amendment on the  
53 election ballot and shall set forth the following description  
54 of the substance or subject matter of the proposed  
55 constitutional amendment:

56 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama



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57 of 2022, to provide that an extrauterine embryo is not an  
58 "unborn life" or "unborn child."

59 Proposed by Act \_\_\_\_."

60 This description shall be followed by the following  
61 language:

62 "Yes( ) No( )."

63 Section 3. The proposed amendment shall become valid as  
64 a part of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, when approved  
65 by a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon.  
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