

1 SB516
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3 By Senator McGill (Constitutional Amendment)
4 RFD: Finance and Taxation Education
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose a constitutional
9 amendment providing that if a majority of the
10 qualified voters fail to ratify Act 2011-315 of the
11 2011 Regular Session to reauthorize the Forever
12 Wild Land Trust or reauthorize the Trust with fewer
13 yes votes than this amendment, then the money that
14 would have funded the Forever Wild Land Trust would
15 be transferred to the Alabama Department of Child
16 Abuse and Neglect Prevention, and to the Education
17 Trust Fund to fund vocational education in high
18 schools.

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20 A BILL
21 TO BE ENTITLED
22 AN ACT
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24 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
25 Alabama of 1901, to provide that if the electorate fails to
26 reauthorize the Forever Wild Land Trust pursuant to Act
27 2011-315 of the 2011 Regular Session, or reauthorizes it with

1 fewer yes votes than this amendment, then the monies that
2 would have funded the trust would be transferred to the
3 Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and
4 to the Education Trust Fund to fund vocational education in
5 high schools.

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 (a) If the electorate fails to ratify Act 2011-315
15 of the 2011 Regular Session on November 6, 2012, reauthorizing
16 the Forever Wild Land Trust for a 20-year period, or if the
17 electorate reauthorizes the Forever Wild Land Trust with a
18 smaller number of yes votes than this proposed amendment, then
19 all monies that would have been paid to that trust pursuant to
20 Sections 7 and 13 of Amendment 543 of the Constitution of
21 Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Sections 7 and 13 of Section
22 219.07 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of
23 Alabama of 1901, as amended, if the Trust had been
24 reauthorized shall be paid as follows: 40 percent of the funds
25 to the Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect
26 Prevention and 60 percent of the funds to the Education Trust
27 Fund to fund vocational education in high schools.

1 (b) If the Forever Wild Land Trust is ratified with
2 more votes than this proposed amendment then all monies shall
3 be paid to the trust in accordance with Act 2011-315 of the
4 Regular Session of the 2011 Legislature.

5 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment
6 shall be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, and shall be in
7 accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the Constitution of
8 Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Sections 284 and 285 of the
9 Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901,
10 as amended, and the election laws of this 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 provide that if the electorate fails to
18 reauthorize the Forever Wild Land Trust pursuant to Act
19 2011-315 of the 2011 Regular Session of the Legislature, or
20 reauthorizes the Forever Wild Land Trust with fewer yes votes
21 than this amendment, all monies that would have been paid to
22 the trust will be paid, 60 percent to the Education Trust Fund
23 to fund vocational education in high schools and 40 percent to
24 the Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention.

25 "Proposed by Act _____."

26 This description shall be followed by the following
27 language:

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"Yes () No ()."