

1 HB520
2 193512-2
3 By Representative Butler (Constitutional Amendment)
4 RFD: Local Legislation
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose a local
9 constitutional amendment relating to Etowah County
10 to provide that all allowances or amounts received
11 by the Sheriff of Etowah County for feeding
12 prisoners would be deposited in a special account
13 and used for feeding prisoners in the county jail
14 and any excess would be authorized to be used by
15 the sheriff for law enforcement purposes.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT
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21 To propose an amendment to the Constitution of
22 Alabama of 1901, relating to Etowah County, to provide that
23 all allowances received by the sheriff for feeding prisoners
24 would be deposited in a special account and used for feeding
25 of prisoners in the county jail and that any excess in the
26 fund would be authorized to be used for law enforcement
27 purposes.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

2 Section 1. The following amendment to the
3 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, is proposed and shall become
4 valid as a part of the Constitution when all requirements of
5 this act are fulfilled:

6 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

7 Effective beginning the next term of office of the
8 Sheriff of Etowah County after the ratification of this
9 amendment, any allowances or other amounts received by the
10 sheriff for feeding prisoners shall be deposited in a separate
11 account in the county treasury to be known as the "Sheriff's
12 Prisoner Food Fund" and shall be used by the sheriff for the
13 feeding of prisoners in the county jail. Any funds in the
14 Sheriff's Prisoner Food Fund over the amounts needed for
15 feeding prisoners may be used by the sheriff for law
16 enforcement purposes and for the operation of the office of
17 the sheriff. Any funds in the Sheriff's Prisoner Food Fund
18 shall be carried over from year to year. In the event
19 additional amounts are needed by the sheriff for the feeding
20 of prisoners, the amounts shall be paid by the sheriff from
21 any other funds appropriated or otherwise available for the
22 operation of the office of the sheriff the expenditure of
23 which is not otherwise restricted by law. The sheriff shall
24 not be subject to the competitive bid law for the purchase of
25 food or supplies used for feeding prisoners in the county
26 jail.

1 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment
2 shall be held in accordance with Section 284 and Section
3 284.01 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing
4 as Section 284 and Section 284.01 of the Official
5 Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
6 amended, and the election laws of this state.

7 Section 3. The appropriate election official shall
8 assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional
9 amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the
10 following description of the substance or subject matter of
11 the proposed constitutional amendment:

12 "Relating to Etowah County, proposing an amendment
13 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that
14 effective beginning the next term of office of the sheriff,
15 all allowances or amounts received by the sheriff for feeding
16 prisoners would be deposited in a special account and used for
17 feeding prisoners in the county jail and any excess in the
18 fund would be authorized to be used for law enforcement
19 purposes by the sheriff.

20 "Proposed by Act _____"

21 This description shall be followed by the following
22 language:

23 "Yes () No ()."