

1 HB625
2 201487-1
3 By Representatives Hanes, Whorton, Holmes, Fincher and Mooney
4 (Constitutional Amendment)
5 RFD: Education Policy
6 First Read: 16-MAY-19

SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the State Board of Education is required to establish curriculum standards for all K-12 public schools.

This bill would propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to prohibit the application of the curriculum standards known as the Common Core Standards, also known as the Alabama College and Career Ready Standards, to K-12 education in the state, to provide for the use of certain transition curriculum standards upon ratification of the amendment, and to require the State Board of Education to adopt replacement curriculum standards for implementation during the 2022-2023 school year.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To propose an amendment to the Constitution of
2 Alabama of 1901, to prohibit the application of the Common
3 Core Standards, also known as the Alabama College and Career
4 Ready Standards, to K-12 education in the state, to provide
5 for the use of certain transition curriculum standards upon
6 ratification, and to require the State Board of Education to
7 adopt replacement curriculum standards for implementation
8 during the 2022-2023 school year.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

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

16 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

17 No part of the curriculum standards known as the
18 Alabama College and Career Ready Standards, also known as the
19 Common Core Standards, shall apply to public K-12 education in
20 the state. Upon ratification of this amendment, the board
21 shall immediately implement curriculum standards for Math in
22 place until May 2011, and for English Language Arts in place
23 until May 2012, both of which were used in classrooms
24 immediately before implementation of the Common Core Standards
25 in this state. These transition standards shall remain in
26 effect until new replacement curriculum standards are adopted.
27 The State Board of Education shall adopt new replacement

1 curriculum standards to be implemented commencing with the
2 2022-2023 school year.

3 Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment
4 shall be held in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the
5 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Sections 284
6 and 285 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of
7 Alabama of 1901, as amended, and the election laws of this
8 state.

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

14 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
15 Alabama of 1901, to prohibit the application of Common Core
16 curriculum standards to K-12 education in the state, to
17 provide for the use of transition curriculum standards
18 immediately upon ratification of this amendment, and to
19 require the implementation of new replacement curriculum
20 standards to be adopted by the State Board of Education
21 commencing with the 2022-2023 school year.

22 "Proposed by Act _____."

23 This description shall be followed by the following
24 language:

25 "Yes () No ()."