

1 HB307
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3 By Representatives Fridy, Farley, Carns, Drake, Holmes (M),
4 Brown, Wingo, Fincher, Ledbetter, Faulkner, Crawford,
5 Whorton (R) and Greer (Constitutional Amendment)
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose an amendment to the
9 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that
10 every parent has a fundamental right to direct the
11 upbringing, education, care, and custody of his or
12 her children.

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14 A BILL
15 TO BE ENTITLED
16 AN ACT

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18 To propose an amendment to the Constitution of
19 Alabama of 1901, to provide that every parent has a
20 fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care,
21 and custody of his or her children.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

23 Section 1. The following amendment to the
24 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, is proposed and
25 shall become valid as a part thereof when approved by a
26 majority of the qualified electors voting thereon and in

1 accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution
2 of Alabama of 1901, as amended:

3 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

4 Every parent has a fundamental right to direct the
5 upbringing, education, care, and custody of his or her child.

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

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

17 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
18 Alabama of 1901, to provide that every parent has a
19 fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care,
20 and custody of his or her children.

21 "Proposed by Act _____."

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

24 "Yes () No ()."