- 1 SB356
- 2 172928-2
- 3 By Senator Orr (Constitutional Amendment)
- 4 RFD: Constitution, Ethics and Elections
- 5 First Read: 15-MAR-16

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8	SYNOPSIS: The bill would propose an amendment to the
9	Constitution of Alabama of 1901, relating to
10	elections and government action.
11	This proposed amendment would require the
12	state to regulate the disclosure of the raising and
13	spending of money that may influence elections and
14	governmental actions.
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16	A BILL
17	TO BE ENTITLED
18	AN ACT
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20	Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
21	Alabama of 1901, to add Section 36.05 to the official
22	Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as
23	amended, to require the state to regulate the disclosure of
24	the raising and spending of money to influence elections and
25	governmental actions.
26	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

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

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT

\$36.05. The people of Alabama have a right that money used to fund campaign activity and to influence governmental action be disclosed publicly so that the people may make informed electoral choices, have accurate information about election related spending sources, and ensure government is acting in their interest. To advance democratic self-government and political equality, and to protect the integrity of government and the electoral process, the State of Alabama shall regulate the disclosure, raising, and spending of money to influence elections and governmental actions. The Legislature shall implement and enforce these interests by appropriate legislation.

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

Section 3. The appropriate election official shall assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional

amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the 1 2 following description of the substance or subject matter of the proposed constitutional amendment: 3 "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of 4 5 Alabama of 1901, to require the state to regulate the disclosure of the raising and spending of money that may 6 7 influence elections and governmental actions. "Proposed by Act \_\_\_\_." 8 This description shall be followed by the following 9 10 language: "Yes ( ) No ( )." 11