HB98

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By Representative Paschal (Constitutional Amendment)

RFD: Children and Senior Advocacy

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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to provide that parents have a fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care, and control of their children.

A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to provide that parents have a fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care, and control of their children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, is proposed and shall become valid as a part of the constitution when all requirements of this act and applicable constitutional provisions are fulfilled:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Parents have a fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care, and control of their children.

Upon ratification of this constitutional amendment, the Code Commissioner shall number and place this amendment as appropriate in the constitution omitting this instructional paragraph and may make the following nonsubstantive revisions: change capitalization, hierarchy, spelling, and punctuation for purposes of style and uniformity; correct manifest grammatical, clerical, and typographical errors; revise internal or external citations and cross-references; and translate effective dates.

Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment shall be held in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, 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 following description of the substance or subject matter of the proposed constitutional amendment:

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to provide that parents have a fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care, and control of their children.

Proposed by Act ____."

This description shall be followed by the following language:

"Yes( ) No( )."