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1 HB499
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3 By Representative Bracy
4 RFD: County and Municipal Government
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 Relating to constables; to authorize the Legislature to
4 further provide for the number of constables in the county;
5 and to further provide for conditions constitution a vacancy
6 in the office of constable.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8 Section 1. Sections 36-23-1, 36-23-3, and 36-23-7, Code
9 of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:

10 "§36-23-1

11 (a) There shall be one constable for each election
12 precinct in each county, to be elected as provided by law, who
13 shall hold office for four years from the first Monday after
14 the second Tuesday in January next after his election and
15 until his successor is elected and qualified.

16 (b) Any county, by local legislation, may abolish the
17 office of constable.

18 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (a), any county, by
19 local legislation, may do any of the following:

20 (1) Revise the number of constables in the county.

21 (2) Revise the areas within the county to be
22 represented by constables.

23 (3) Revise the conditions under which a constable is
24 considered to have vacated his or her office."

25 "§36-23-3

26 When a vacancy ~~in any election precinct is occasioned~~
27 ~~by the death or removal from such precinct of~~ occurs in the
28 office of any constable ~~thereof~~, the judge of probate ~~must~~



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29 shall notify the Governor."

30 "§36-23-7

31 ~~The~~ A constable shall vacate his or her office by
32 removal from the election precinct for which he or she is
33 elected, or as otherwise provided by law."

34 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
35 1, 2026.

