

1 HB17  
2 202670-1  
3 By Representative South (Constitutional Amendment)  
4 RFD: Local Legislation  
5 First Read: 04-FEB-20  
6 PFD: 01/14/2020

SYNOPSIS:           This bill would propose a local constitutional amendment relating to Fayette County to provide for the levy of an additional fire protection ad valorem tax of three mills on real property to be paid to the Fayette County Firefighters Association to be distributed equally among the paid and volunteer fire departments in the county.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, relating to Fayette County; to provide for the levy of an additional fire protection ad valorem tax of three mills on real property to be paid to the Fayette County Firefighters Association to be distributed equally among the paid and volunteer fire departments in the county.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1           Section 1. The following amendment to the  
2           Constitution of Alabama of 1901, is proposed and shall become  
3           valid as a part of the Constitution when all requirements of  
4           this act are fulfilled:

5                               PROPOSED AMENDMENT

6           In Fayette County, commencing with the levy for the  
7           tax year for which taxes will become due and payable on  
8           October 1, 2021, there is levied a fire protection tax of  
9           three mills on real property. The fire protection tax levied  
10          in this amendment shall be based upon the value of real  
11          property assessed by affected property owners, as shown on the  
12          records of the Revenue Commissioner of Fayette County, and  
13          shall be assessed and collected as are all ad valorem taxes in  
14          the county. The amount collected each year from assessment of  
15          the fire protection tax shall be paid to the Fayette County  
16          Firefighters Association, to be distributed equally among the  
17          paid and volunteer fire departments in the county.

18          Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment  
19          shall be held in accordance with Section 284 and Section  
20          284.01 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing  
21          as Section 284 and Section 284.01 of the Official  
22          Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as  
23          amended, and the election laws of this state.

24          Section 3. The appropriate election official shall  
25          assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional  
26          amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the

1 following description of the substance or subject matter of  
2 the proposed constitutional amendment:

3 "Relating to Fayette County, proposing an amendment  
4 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide for the  
5 levy of an additional fire protection ad valorem tax of three  
6 mills on real property to be paid to the Fayette County  
7 Firefighters Association to be distributed equally among the  
8 paid and volunteer fire departments in the county.

9 "Proposed by Act \_\_\_\_\_"

10 This description shall be followed by the following  
11 language:

12 "Yes ( ) No ( )."