

1 AN ACT proposing to repeal Section 233 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating  
2 to the application of Virginia law in Kentucky.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. Are you in favor of repealing Section 233 of the Kentucky  
5 Constitution, which states that any laws in effect in Virginia prior to June 1, 1792, are in  
6 effect in Kentucky unless those laws are specific to the state of Virginia and not of a  
7 general nature, are in conflict with the Kentucky Constitution or with laws passed by the  
8 Kentucky General Assembly, or have been altered or repealed by the Kentucky General  
9 Assembly?

10 ➔Section 2. It is proposed that the following section of the Constitution of  
11 Kentucky be repealed:

12 Section 233 General laws of Virginia in force in this State until repealed.

13 All laws which, on the first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-  
14 two, were in force in the State of Virginia, and which are of a general nature and not  
15 local to that State, and not repugnant to this Constitution, nor to the laws which  
16 have been enacted by the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, shall be in  
17 force within this State until they shall be altered or repealed by the General  
18 Assembly.

19 ➔Section 3. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the  
20 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided  
21 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under Sections 4 and 5 of this  
22 Act.

23 ➔Section 4. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the  
24 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution  
25 of Kentucky contained in Sections 1 and 2 of this Act to be published at least one time in  
26 a newspaper of general circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be  
27 published at the same time and in the same manner the fact that the amendment will be

1 submitted to the voters for their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at  
2 which members of the General Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by  
3 this section and KRS 118.415 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August  
4 preceding the election at which the amendment is to be voted on.

5 ➔Section 5. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the  
6 Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August  
7 preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be  
8 chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the  
9 United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September  
10 preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice  
11 President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the proposed amendment to the  
12 Constitution of Kentucky contained in Sections 1 and 2 of this Act to the county clerk of  
13 each county, and the county clerk shall have the entirety of the amendment, as so  
14 certified, indicated on the ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as  
15 applicable to the voting machines in use in each county or precinct.