

1 HB191  
2 189436-1  
3 By Representative Fridy (Constitutional Amendment)  
4 RFD: Children and Senior Advocacy  
5 First Read: 19-MAR-19

8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would propose an amendment to the  
9 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that  
10 every parent has a fundamental right to direct the  
11 upbringing, education, care, and custody of his or  
12 her children.  
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14 A BILL  
15 TO BE ENTITLED  
16 AN ACT  
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18 To propose an amendment to the Constitution of  
19 Alabama of 1901, to provide that every parent has a  
20 fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care,  
21 and custody of his or her children.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

23 Section 1. The following amendment to the  
24 Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, is proposed and  
25 shall become valid as a part thereof when approved by a  
26 majority of the qualified electors voting thereon and in

1       accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution  
2       of Alabama of 1901, as amended:

3                               PROPOSED AMENDMENT

4               Every parent has a fundamental right to direct the  
5       upbringing, education, care, and custody of his or her child.

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

12              Section 3. The appropriate election official shall  
13      assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional  
14      amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the  
15      following description of the substance or subject matter of  
16      the proposed constitutional amendment:

17              "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of  
18      Alabama of 1901, to provide that every parent has a  
19      fundamental right to direct the upbringing, education, care,  
20      and custody of his or her children.

21              "Proposed by Act \_\_\_\_\_."

22              This description shall be followed by the following  
23      language:

24              "Yes ( ) No ( )."