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Speaker Rosenberger

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To delegate to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives authority to designate groups of members to prepare arguments for and against amendments to the Ohio Constitution proposed by the General Assembly, a person or persons to prepare an argument for any law, section, or item submitted to the electors by referendum petition, and a person or persons to prepare an argument against any constitutional amendment proposed by initiative petition.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):

WHEREAS, When the General Assembly adopts a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio Constitution under Ohio Constitution, Article XVI, Section 1, it may designate, under section 3505.063 of the Revised Code, a group of members who voted in support of the joint resolution to prepare arguments for the proposed amendment and, unless no members voted in opposition, a group of members who voted in opposition to the joint resolution to prepare arguments against the proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly, if in session, is required to name the person or persons who will prepare the argument,
explanation, or both, for any law, section, or item submitted to
the electors by referendum petition, under Ohio Constitution,
Article II, Section 1g; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That, when the 130th and 131st General Assemblies
adopt a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio
Constitution, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the
House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General Assembly,
may designate a group of members who voted in support of the joint
resolution to prepare arguments for the proposed amendment and,
unless no members voted in opposition, a group of members who
voted in opposition to the joint resolution to prepare arguments
against the proposed amendment; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare the
argument, explanation, or both, for any law, section, or item
submitted to the electors by referendum petition during the 131st
General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare the
argument against any constitutional amendment proposed by
initiative petition during the 131st General Assembly; and be it
further

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
the House of Representatives make their designations so as to
leave the designated group or groups of members, person, or
persons with sufficient time to prepare and file their arguments
with the Secretary of State not later than the eightieth day
before the day of the election at which the issue will be
submitted to the electors.