

**As Introduced**

**132nd General Assembly  
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**S. C. R. No. 4**

**Senator Peterson**

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**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To delegate to the President of the Senate and the 1  
Speaker of the House of Representatives authority to 2  
designate groups of members to prepare arguments for 3  
and against amendments to the Ohio Constitution 4  
proposed by the General Assembly, a person or persons 5  
to prepare an argument for any law, section, or item 6  
submitted to the electors by referendum petition, and 7  
a person or persons to prepare an argument against any 8  
constitutional amendment proposed by initiative 9  
petition. 10

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

WHEREAS, When the General Assembly adopts a joint 11  
resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio Constitution under 12  
Ohio Constitution, Article XVI, Section 1, it may designate, 13  
under section 3505.063 of the Revised Code, a group of members 14  
who voted in support of the joint resolution to prepare 15  
arguments for the proposed amendment and, unless no members 16  
voted in opposition, a group of members who voted in opposition 17  
to the joint resolution to prepare arguments against the 18  
proposed amendment; and 19

WHEREAS, The General Assembly, if in session, is required 20  
to name the person or persons who will prepare the argument, 21

explanation, or both, for any law, section, or item submitted to 22  
the electors by referendum petition, under Ohio Constitution, 23  
Article II, Section 1g; now therefore be it 24

RESOLVED, That, when the 132nd General Assembly adopts a 25  
joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio 26  
Constitution, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the 27  
House of Representatives, on behalf of the 132nd General 28  
Assembly, may designate a group of members who voted in support 29  
of the joint resolution to prepare arguments for the proposed 30  
amendment and, unless no members voted in opposition, a group of 31  
members who voted in opposition to the joint resolution to 32  
prepare arguments against the proposed amendment; and be it 33  
further 34

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker 35  
of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 132nd General 36  
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare 37  
the argument, explanation, or both, for any law, section, or 38  
item submitted to the electors by referendum petition during the 39  
132nd General Assembly; and be it further 40

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker 41  
of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 132nd General 42  
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare 43  
the argument against any constitutional amendment proposed by 44  
initiative petition during the 132nd General Assembly; and be it 45  
further 46

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker 47  
of the House of Representatives make their designations so as to 48  
leave the designated group or groups of members, person, or 49  
persons with sufficient time to prepare and file their arguments 50  
with the Secretary of State not later than the eightieth day 51  
before the day of the election at which the issue will be 52  
submitted to the electors. 53