

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 Representatives 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 133rd General Assembly adopts 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 133rd 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 133rd 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 133rd 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 133rd General Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare the argument against any constitutional amendment proposed by initiative petition during the 133rd 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.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

Adopted _____, 20____