

As Offered

**131st General Assembly
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Speaker Rosenberger

A C O N C U R R E N T R E S O L U T I O N

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 24
Constitution, Article II, Section 1g; now therefore be it 25

RESOLVED, That, when the 130th and 131st General Assemblies 26
adopt a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio 27
Constitution, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of 28
the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General 29
Assembly, may designate a group of members who voted in support 30
of the joint resolution to prepare arguments for the proposed 31
amendment and, unless no members voted in opposition, a group 32
of members who voted in opposition to the joint resolution to 33
prepare arguments against the proposed amendment; and be it 34
further 35

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker 36
of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General 37
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare 38
the argument, explanation, or both, for any law, section, or 39
item submitted to the electors by referendum petition during 40
the 131st General Assembly; and be it further 41

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker 42
of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General 43
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare 44
the argument against any constitutional amendment proposed by 45
initiative petition during the 131st General Assembly; and be 46
it further 47

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker 48
of the House of Representatives make their designations so as 49
to leave the designated group or groups of members, person, or 50
persons with sufficient time to prepare and file their 51
arguments with the Secretary of State not later than the 52
eightieth day before the day of the election at which the issue 53
will be submitted to the electors. 54