

**As Adopted by the House**

**131st General Assembly  
Regular Session  
2015-2016**

**H. C. R. No. 19**

**Speaker Rosenberger**

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**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 21  
the electors by referendum petition, under Ohio Constitution, 22  
Article II, Section 1g; now therefore be it 23

RESOLVED, That, when the 130th and 131st General Assemblies 24  
adopt a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio 25  
Constitution, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the 26  
House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General Assembly, 27  
may designate a group of members who voted in support of the joint 28  
resolution to prepare arguments for the proposed amendment and, 29  
unless no members voted in opposition, a group of members who 30  
voted in opposition to the joint resolution to prepare arguments 31  
against the proposed amendment; and be it further 32

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of 33  
the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General 34  
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare the 35  
argument, explanation, or both, for any law, section, or item 36  
submitted to the electors by referendum petition during the 131st 37  
General Assembly; and be it further 38

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of 39  
the House of Representatives, on behalf of the 131st General 40  
Assembly, may designate the person or persons who will prepare the 41  
argument against any constitutional amendment proposed by 42  
initiative petition during the 131st General Assembly; and be it 43  
further 44

RESOLVED, That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of 45  
the House of Representatives make their designations so as to 46  
leave the designated group or groups of members, person, or 47  
persons with sufficient time to prepare and file their arguments 48  
with the Secretary of State not later than the eightieth day 49  
before the day of the election at which the issue will be 50  
submitted to the electors. 51