

As Offered

**133rd General Assembly
Regular Session
2019-2020**

H. C. R. No. 7

Speaker Householder

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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

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

WHEREAS, The General Assembly, if in session, is required to 19
name the person or persons who will prepare the argument, 20
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 133rd General Assembly adopts a 24
joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Ohio Constitution, 25
the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of 26
Representatives, on behalf of the 133rd General Assembly, may 27
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 133rd 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 133rd 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 133rd 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 133rd 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 leave 46
the designated group or groups of members, person, or persons with 47
sufficient time to prepare and file their arguments with the 48
Secretary of State not later than the eightieth day before the day of 49
the election at which the issue will be submitted to the electors. 50