

FAIR BALLOT COMMISSION
STATEWIDE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
November 3, 2026 STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION
BALLOT STATEMENT
Approved Pursuant to Alabama Code Section 17-6-81

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 1:

- (1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:**

Proposed by Act No. 2026-341 (Senate Bill 271, 2026 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Givhan

“Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to provide for the election of a Lieutenant Governor if the Office of Lieutenant Governor becomes vacant during the first two years of a term, to authorize the Legislature to set the salary of the Lieutenant Governor and officers of the Legislature, and to require any expenditure of legislative funds for travel to be approved by a legislative officer.

Proposed by Act 2026-341.”

This description shall be followed by the following language: “Yes () No ().”

- (2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:**

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

- (3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:**

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal, statewide, and local offices, and will be the first constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 1.”

- (4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.**

Current law generally provides that if the office of Lieutenant Governor becomes vacant during a term of office, the vacancy remains until the next regular election for that office. The Alabama Constitution also sets the pay of the Lieutenant Governor and certain legislative officers.

If approved, this amendment would require an election to fill the office of Lieutenant Governor for the remainder of an unexpired term if the office becomes vacant more than 60 days before the next general election in which state officers are elected.

The amendment would also authorize the Legislature to set the pay of the Lieutenant Governor and officers of the Legislature by joint resolution.

In addition, the amendment would require expenditures of legislative funds for travel by members of the Legislature to be approved by an officer elected by the members of that legislative chamber.

If the majority of voters vote “yes” on Amendment 1, the Alabama Constitution will be changed.

If the majority of voters vote “no” on Amendment 1, the Alabama Constitution will not be changed.

There are no costs or taxes associated with Amendment 1.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 1 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, and the election laws of the State of Alabama.