BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 5:

(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. 2021-202 (Senate Bill 68, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Barfoot

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to delete a provision giving the probate court of each county general jurisdiction over orphans’ business."


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 offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the fifth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as “Statewide Amendment 5.”

(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.

If the majority of the voters vote “yes” on Amendment 5, the outdated words “orphans’ business” will be removed from the Alabama Constitution.
If the majority of the voters vote “no” on Amendment 5, the outdated words “orphans’ business” will remain in the Alabama Constitution.

There are no costs to Amendment 5.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 5 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285 and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.