

FAIR BALLOT COMMISSION
STATEWIDE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION
BALLOT STATEMENT
Approved Pursuant to Ala. Code 1975 §17-6-81

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 6:

(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. 2021-327 (House Bill 178, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Ball

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, each municipality authorized under Amendment No. 8 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing Section 216.01 of the Recompiled Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to levy and collect the ad valorem tax pursuant to Amendment No. 8 for the purpose of paying bonds and the interest thereon, and may also levy and collect such ad valorem tax and utilize such funds for capital improvements on a pay-as-you-go basis at a rate not exceeding the rate then lawfully permitted for the municipality to directly pay the costs of public capital improvements, as well as to pay the principal and interest on bonds, warrants, or other securities issued to finance or refinance the costs of the improvements; and to ratify, validate, and confirm the levy and collection of such tax levied and collected for any of these purposes prior to the ratification of this amendment."

Proposed by Act 2021-327.

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 sixth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 6."

(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.

This amendment provides that cities/towns already allowed to collect a special property tax may use those tax dollars to directly “pay-as-you-go” for construction projects instead of going into debt.

If the majority of the voters vote “yes” on Amendment 6, “pay-as-you-go” will be allowed.

If the majority of the voters vote “no” on Amendment 6, “pay-as-you-go” will not be allowed.

There are no costs to Amendment 6.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 6 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.