

FREEDOM

BEGINS WITH

UNITY

AT THE

BALLOT BOX

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY
DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE**

"WHERE THERE IS UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH"

See Ballot On Reverse Side For Recommendations

MR. RUFUS A. LEWIS, Chairman, Montgomery County Democratic Conf.

MR. E. H. LIGON, Chairman of Board

SAMPLE BALLOT

1ST TURN SWITCH RIGHT TO CLOSE CURTAINS

2ND MARK YOUR BALLOT AND LEAVE MARKS SHOWING →

3RD TURN SWITCH LEFT

WARNING—YOUR MARKS MUST BE SHOWING FOR VOTE TO REGISTER

By casting this ballot I do pledge myself to abide by the result of this Primary Election and to aid and support all the nominees thereof in the ensuing General Election.

OFFICES DEMOCRATIC

For President of Alabama Public Service Commission
VOTE FOR ONE

For Associate Justice Supreme Court, Place No. 2
VOTE FOR ONE

For Representative In Congress
2nd Congressional District
VOTE FOR ONE

For Tax Assessor
VOTE FOR ONE

For County Commissioner—Southeastern District
VOTE FOR ONE



EUGENE "Bull" CONNOR ☐

KENNETH HAMMOND ☒

JAMES H. FAULKNER ☐

JANIE SHORES ☒

"WALKING" WENDELL MITCHELL ☒

BEN C. REEVES ☐

LOUISE S. CHAMPION ☐

NANCY COX ☐

W. CHAPPELL GRAY ☐

CLEAVY T. JOHNSON ☒

PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS
TO
THE CONSTITUTION
OF
ALABAMA
MAY 30, 1972
Column 10

AMENDMENT NO. 1
YES ☐

AMENDMENT NO. 1
NO ☒

AMENDMENT NO. 2
YES ☒

AMENDMENT NO. 2
NO ☐

AMENDMENT NO. 3
YES ☒

AMENDMENT NO. 3
NO ☐

AMENDMENT NO. 4
YES ☒

AMENDMENT NO. 4
NO ☐

Sample Ballot

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
ELECTION
May 30, 1972

Opposite the Proposed Amendments is printed the word "YES" and immediately under that is printed the word "NO". The choice of the elector shall be indicated by turning the Lever opposite the word expressing his desire.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1

Shall the following be adopted as an Amendment to the Constitution of Alabama?

"Section 217 (a). All taxable property within this State, not exempt by law, shall be divided into the following classes for the purposes of ad valorem taxation:

Class I. All property of utilities used in the business of such utilities.

Class II. All property not otherwise classified.

Class III. All agricultural, forest and residential property.

(b) With respect to ad valorem taxes levied by the State, all taxable property shall be forever taxed at the same rate, and such property shall be assessed for ad valorem tax purposes according to the classes thereof as herein defined at the following ratios of assessed value to the fair and reasonable market value of such property:

Class I. 30 percentum

Class II. All property not otherwise classified.

Class III. 15 percentum

(c) With respect to ad valorem taxes levied by counties, municipalities or other taxing authority, all taxable property shall be assessed for ad valorem tax purposes according to the classes of property defined in paragraph (a) herein and at the same ratios of assessed value to the fair and reasonable market value thereof as fixed in paragraph (b) herein, provided, however, that the Legislature may vary the ratio of assessed value to the fair and reasonable market value as to any class of property as defined in paragraph (b) herein, and provided, further, that the Legislature may fix a uniform ratio of assessment of all property within a county defined in paragraph (a) herein as Class II and fix and may fix a different ratio of assessment for property defined in paragraph (a) as Class I. Such ratios as herein authorized may vary among counties so long as each such ratio is uniform within a county.

No class of property shall have a ratio of assessed value to fair and reasonable market value of less than 15 percentum nor more than 35 percentum.

(d) A county, municipality, or other taxing authority may decrease any ad valorem tax rate at any time provided such decrease shall not jeopardize the payment of any bonded indebtedness secured by such tax. When the Legislature shall complete the assembly of the assessment book for his county or the ad valorem tax year, immediately following the adoption of this amendment and the computation of ad valorem taxes that will be paid upon such assessment, shall certify to each authority within his county that levies an ad valorem tax the amount of ad valorem tax that will be produced by every levy in that year but excluding for this purpose any assessment of property added to the tax rolls during the year in which such certification is made that was not included on the tax rolls for the preceding year. It shall appear that the estimated ad valorem tax receipts from any levy so estimated shall be less than the receipts from the same levy during the next preceding ad valorem year, then the levying authority shall increase each tax rate by and that is substantially equal to that received during such immediately preceding tax year. It is further provided that any and all millage adjustments made in increments of not less than 1 mill. The made in the ad valorem tax year immediately following the adoption of this amendment.

(e) Any county, municipality, or other taxing authority may increase the rate at which ad valorem taxes are levied above the limit now provided in the Constitution provided that the proposed increase tax after a public hearing on such proposal, (2) thereafter approved by an act of the Legislature, and (3) subsequently approved by a majority vote of the qualified electors of the area in which the tax is to be levied increased who vote on the proposal.

(f) The Legislature is authorized to enact legislation to implement the provisions of this amendment, and may provide for exemptions from taxation; provided, however, that any statutory exemption existing prior to the adoption of this amendment shall not be repealed, except by subsequent legislative act, and shall remain in full force and effect.

(g) Wherever any constitutional provision or statute provides for, limits or measures the power of any authority of any county, municipality or other taxing authority to levy taxes, borrow money, or incur indebtedness in relation to the assessment of property therein for state taxes or for state and county taxes such provision shall mean as assessed for county or municipal taxes as the case may be.

(h) Any provision of the Constitution of Alabama to the contrary notwithstanding, ad valorem taxes shall never exceed 1 1/2% of the fair and reasonable market value of the property in any one taxable year.

(i) The following property shall be exempt from all ad valorem taxation: The real and personal property of the State, counties and municipalities and property devoted exclusively to religious, educational or charitable purposes. (Under the provisions of Act No. 116, Third Special Session, 1971)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2

Shall the following be adopted as an Amendment to the Constitution of Alabama?

"The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of a one mill ad valorem tax in Mobile County on real and tangible personal property that is subject to such tax under the laws of this state for the purpose of controlling mosquitoes, rodents and other vectors of public health and welfare significance, and any acts of the legislature on this subject applicable to Mobile County that was enacted prior to the adoption of this amendment is hereby validated and reconfirmed." (Under the provisions of Act No. 103, Third Special Session, 1971)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3

Shall the following be adopted as an Amendment to the Constitution of Alabama?

"The Legislature may from time to time, by local law, provide that applications for registration to vote in Madison County need not be made in person before the board of registrars of such county, or any member thereof, and may provide by such local law the manner in which such applications shall be made; provided, however, that nothing in such local law shall abrogate the authority of the board of registrars to pass upon the qualifications of those applying for registration to vote, and provided, further, that nothing in such local law shall otherwise provide for any qualifications to vote which differ from the general election laws of the state." (Under the provisions of Act No. 103, Third Special Session, 1971)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4

Shall the following be adopted as an Amendment to the Constitution of Alabama?

"Provided that the approval of the act by the qualified electors of Dale County at a referendum election is a prerequisite to the taking effect thereof:

1. The Legislature may from time to time, by general or local law, fix, alter and regulate the duties, percentages, allowances and compensation to be charged and received by any official of Dale County, including the right to place any of such officers on a salary, and provide for the operation of their respective offices on such basis, and provide that any and all fees, commissions, percentages or allowances charged or collected by them shall be paid into the county treasury.

2. The Legislature may from time to time, by general or local law, provide for the transfer of the duties, or part of the duties, of one county officer of Dale County to another officer of such county, or consolidate any two or more offices of such county into one county office and provide for the abolition of the office or offices left without duties, or create a completely new office in such county and transfer to such office a part of the duties of each of several other offices without abolishing any office in such county; provided that the officer or officers to fill the offices so transferred or consolidated be compensated for performance of the duties of their offices by a salary fixed according to law.

Provided, however, no law enacted prior to the ratification of this amendment putting any officer of Dale County on a salary basis, nor any law providing for the consolidation of any offices of such county shall have any force or effect, even though such act provided that it should become effective upon adoption of an amendment to the Constitution authorizing such act.

The Legislature may also, from time to time, by general special or local laws, fix, regulate and alter the cost and charges of courts in Dale County, and the method of disbursement thereof." (Under the provisions of Act No. 194, Third Special Session, 1971)

I AM A DEMOCRAT