

- 1 SB261
- 2 4VZCR33-1
- 3 By Senator Jones (Constitutional Amendment)
- 4 RFD: Local Legislation
- 5 First Read: 02-Apr-24



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4	SYNOPSIS:
5	This bill would propose an amendment to the
6	Constitution of Alabama of 2022, relating to Cherokee
7	County, to authorize the Legislature to fix and
8	regulate court costs by general or local law; and to
9	ratify all previously collected court costs.
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12	A BILL
13	TO BE ENTITLED
14	AN ACT
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16	To propose an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama
17	of 2022, relating to Cherokee County, to authorize the
18	Legislature to fix and regulate court costs by general or
19	local law; and to ratify all previously collected court costs.
20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
21	Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution
22	of Alabama of 2022, is proposed:
23	PROPOSED AMENDMENT
24	(a) The Legislature, by general or local law, may fix,
25	regulate, and alter the costs and charges of courts in
26	Cherokee County and provide for their distribution.
27	(b) All court costs and charges collected in Cherokee
28	County prior to the ratification of this amendment are hereby



29 ratified, validated, and confirmed.

30 Upon ratification of this constitutional amendment, the 31 Code Commissioner shall number and place this amendment as 32 appropriate in the constitution omitting this instructional 33 paragraph and may make the following nonsubstantive revisions: 34 change capitalization, hierarchy, spelling, and punctuation 35 for purposes of style and uniformity; correct manifest 36 grammatical, clerical, and typographical errors; revise 37 internal or external citations and cross-references; and translate effective dates. 38

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END PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment 40 shall be held in accordance with Sections 284, 284.01, and 285 41 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, and the election laws 42 43 of this state. The appropriate election official shall assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional amendment on 44 the election ballot and shall set forth the following 45 46 description of the substance or subject matter of the proposed 47 constitutional amendment:

48 "Relating to Cherokee County, proposing an amendment to 49 the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to authorize the 50 Legislature to fix and regulate court costs by general or 51 local law; and to ratify all previously collected court costs. 52 Proposed by Act ."

53 This description shall be followed by the following 54 language:

55 Yes() No()."

56 Section 3. The proposed amendment shall become valid as



57 part of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, when approved by 58 a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon.