

CHAPTER 8**(HB 2)**

AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to education funding.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

→Section 1. To give parents choices in educational opportunities for their children, are you in favor of enabling the General Assembly to provide financial support for the education costs of students in kindergarten through 12th grade who are outside the system of common (public) schools by amending the Constitution of Kentucky as stated below?

→SECTION 2. IT IS PROPOSED THAT A NEW SECTION BE ADDED TO THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

The General Assembly may provide financial support for the education of students outside the system of common schools. The General Assembly may exercise this authority by law, Sections 59, 60, 171, 183, 184, 186, and 189 of this Constitution notwithstanding.

→Section 3. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution, KRS 118.415, and Sections 4 and 5 of this Act.

→Section 4. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act and the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in Section 2 of this Act to be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be published at the same time and in the same manner the fact that the amendment will be submitted to the voters for their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by this section and KRS 118.415 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August preceding the election at which the amendment is to be voted on.

→Section 5. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act and the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in Section 2 of this Act to the county clerk of each county, and the county clerk shall have the entirety of the question and the amendment, as so certified, indicated on the ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as applicable to the voting machines in use in each county or precinct.

Governor's signature not required.