

The constitutional amendment would be submitted to the voters in November 2024, the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be chosen. Balloting and publishing proposed constitutional amendments is a regular duty of county clerks, paid for by the county fiscal court.

There are additional programming costs associated with adding a new category (local option question or constitutional amendment) to the ballot on an already scheduled statewide election.

There could be additional costs associated with extra paper (if the ballot language requires additional space) for paper ballots and absentee voting. It has been estimated that the cost of one extra page for a single ballot is \$0.25, depending on the county's printing contract. Therefore, the total cost would depend on the number of paper ballots that would need the extra page.

Part III: Differences to Local Government Mandate Statement from Prior Versions

Part II refers to SB 271 as introduced. There are no prior versions.

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