

STATE OF ALABAMA PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature at its Regular Session of 2007 ordered an election to be held on a certain proposed amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, set out herein as Act. Nos. 2007-206 and 2007-359, relating to Tallapoosa County, to authorize a district formed for fire fighting and emergency medical services to levy an ad valorem tax to be collected by the revenue commissioner of the county; and

WHEREAS, notice of this election, together with this proposed amendment, is required by law to be given by Proclamation of the Governor, to be published once a week for four successive weeks preceding the date appointed for the election, in each newspaper qualified to run legal notices in the county affected.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Riley, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 4, 2008, an election will be held in Tallapoosa County, State of Alabama, in the manner and form provided by law upon the following amendment to the Constitution of 1901 of the State of Alabama:

HB630 and SB488

ENROLLED, An Act,

To amend Amendment No. 572 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing in the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, Local Amendments, Tallapoosa County, Section 2, relating to Tallapoosa County, to authorize a district formed for fire fighting and emergency medical services to levy an ad valorem tax to be collected by the revenue commissioner of the county.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, is proposed and shall become valid as a part of the Constitution when all requirements of this act are fulfilled:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

"Amendment No. 572.

"(a) Upon approval of the E911 Board of Commissioners of Tallapoosa County, districts may be established for fire protection and emergency medical services within the geographical boundaries of Tallapoosa County. Each district for fire fighting and emergency medical services of Tallapoosa County is authorized, in its discretion, to levy a service charge for fire protection and emergency medical services in an amount it deems reasonable on each dwelling and commercial building in Tallapoosa County or may levy an ad valorem tax on real property in the district. A service charge if approved by the majority of the voters residing in the proposed fire district shall be collected by the board of directors of the proposed district that has response coverage for the district unless otherwise provided by law or in the case of an ad valorem tax shall be collected by the Revenue Commissioner of Tallapoosa County. The proceeds from the service charge less any costs of collection shall be used by the district for fire protection and emergency medical service.

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"(b) This amendment shall not become effective unless approved at a referendum by a majority of the qualified electors of Tallapoosa County voting on the proposition. The referendum shall be held at the same time as the election for the ratification of this amendment, as provided for in Section 2 of this act, and no further election shall be required."

Section 2. An election upon the proposed amendment shall be held in accordance with Amendment 555 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 284.01 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, and the election laws of this state.

Section 3. The appropriate election official shall assign a ballot number for the proposed constitutional amendment on the election ballot and shall set forth the following description of the substance or subject matter of the proposed constitutional amendment:

"Relating to Tallapoosa County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize a district formed for fire fighting and emergency medical services to levy a service charge in the form of an ad valorem tax to be collected by the revenue commissioner of the county.

"Proposed by Act _____."

This description shall be followed by the following language:

"Yes () No ()."

I further direct and proclaim that notice of this election to be held on Tuesday, the 4th day of November 2008, upon the above set forth matter of authorizing Tallapoosa County to authorize a district formed for fire fighting and emergency medical services to levy an ad valorem tax to be collected by the revenue commissioner of the county in Act Nos. 2007-206 and 2007-359 be given by publishing the same once a week for four consecutive weeks preceding Tuesday, the 4th day of November 2008, in each newspaper qualified to run legal notices in Tallapoosa County, Alabama.



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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on this 12th day of September

Bob Riley Governor

2008.

ATTEST:

Beth Chapman Secretary of State