

House Resolution 1157

By: Representatives Powell of the 29th, Jamieson of the 28th, and Jenkins of the 8th

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the Secretary of State shall
2 be elected on a nonpartisan basis; to provide for the submission of this amendment for
3 ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 SECTION 1.

6 Article V, Section III of the Constitution is amended by striking Paragraph I and inserting
7 in lieu thereof a new Paragraph I to read as follows:

8 "Paragraph I. *Other executive officers, how elected.* The Secretary of State, Attorney
9 General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of
10 Agriculture, and Commissioner of Labor shall be elected in the manner prescribed for the
11 election of members of the General Assembly and the electors shall be the same; provided,
12 however, that the Secretary of State shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis. Such executive
13 officers shall be elected at the same time and hold their offices for the same term as the
14 Governor."

15 SECTION 2.

16 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
17 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
18 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

19 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the
20 () NO Secretary of State shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis?"

21 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

22 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
23 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
24 become a part of the Constitution of this state.