

House Resolution 1169

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the General Assembly by
 2 general law to establish as a separate class of property for ad valorem tax purposes any
 3 tangible real property which is determined to be blighted; to authorize the General Assembly
 4 to establish a program by which certain properties within such class may be assessed for
 5 taxes at different rates or valuations in order to encourage the revitalization of blighted areas;
 6 to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other
 7 purposes.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article VII, Section I, Paragraph III of the Constitution is amended in subparagraph (d) by
 11 adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

12 "(3) The General Assembly shall be authorized by general law to establish as a separate
 13 class of property for ad valorem tax purposes any tangible real property which is
 14 determined to be blighted. For such purposes, the General Assembly is authorized by
 15 general law to establish a program by which certain properties within such class may be
 16 assessed for taxes at different rates or valuations in order to encourage the revitalization
 17 of such blighted properties."

18 **SECTION 2.**

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

1 " YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General
2 NO Assembly to establish as a separate class of property for ad valorem tax
3 purposes any tangible real property determined to be blighted and to
4 authorize the General Assembly to establish a program by which certain
5 properties within such class may be assessed for taxes at different rates or
6 valuations in order to encourage the revitalization of blighted properties?"
7 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
8 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
9 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
10 become a part of the Constitution of this state.