

Senate Resolution 42

By: Senators Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and others

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to create the Family Medical Leave Fund; to authorize the dedication of certain revenues to be deposited into such fund; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

"(s) The General Assembly may provide by general law for the creation and administration of a Family Medical Leave Fund as a trust fund from which funds shall be disbursed to provide a program for individuals who need to take leave from work due to their own sickness or nonwork related injury, the sickness or injury of a family member, or the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of a child. As authorized by general law, revenues raised for purposes of the fund may be paid into and disbursed from the fund without being subject to the limitations of subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph. The fund shall be administered by the Georgia Department of Labor. The General Assembly may provide by law for all matters necessary or appropriate for the implementation of the purpose or provisions of this subparagraph."

SECTION 2.

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

"() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to strengthen families
() NO and support a healthy workforce by instituting paid medical leave for
workers to care for themselves and their families?"

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