

SENATE BILL No. 117

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: None (noncode).

Synopsis: Public question ballot language. Establishes the ballot language for submission of an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning taking appeals of criminal convictions to the Supreme Court of Indiana. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory committee).

Effective: Upon passage.

**Landske, Craycraft, Skillman,
Breux**

January 20, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections.

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Second Regular Session 111th General Assembly (2000)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1999 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning elections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **The amendment**
2 **to Article 7, Section 4 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana**
3 **agreed to by the One Hundred Tenth General Assembly**
4 **(P.L.132-1998) and the One Hundred Eleventh General Assembly**
5 **(P.L.274-1999) shall be submitted to the electors of the state at the**
6 **2000 general election in the manner provided for the submission of**
7 **constitutional amendments under IC 3.**

8 (b) **Under Article 16, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State**
9 **of Indiana, which requires the general assembly to submit**
10 **constitutional amendments to the electors at the next general**
11 **election after the general assembly agrees to the amendment**
12 **referred to it by the last previously elected general assembly, and**
13 **in accordance with IC 3-10-3, the general assembly prescribes the**
14 **form in which the public question concerning the ratification of**
15 **this state constitutional amendment must appear on the 2000**
16 **general election ballot as follows:**

17 "PUBLIC QUESTION #1
18 **Shall the Constitution of the State of Indiana be amended to**



1 provide that an appeal from a judgment imposing a sentence of life
2 imprisonment or imprisonment for a term greater than fifty years
3 is not required to be taken directly to the Supreme Court of
4 Indiana? (This question concerns Article 7, Section 4 of the
5 Constitution of the State of Indiana.)".
6 (c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2001.
7 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

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