

By: Representative Moore (60th)

To: Constitution

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 71

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION
2 154, MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT
3 THAT TRIAL JUDGES SHALL BE ATTORNEYS.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
5 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi
6 Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the
7 state:

8 Amend Section 154, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read
9 as follows:

10 "Section 154. No person shall be eligible to the office of
11 judge of the circuit court or of the chancery court who shall not
12 have * * * attained the age of twenty-six years, and who shall not
13 have been five (5) years a citizen of this state."

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be
15 submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at
16 an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday
17 of November 2002, as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution
18 and by general law.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed
20 amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed
21 constitutional amendment will remove the requirement that trial
22 judges shall be attorneys."

