

By: Senator(s) McMahan

To: Constitution; Elections

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 513

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 241  
2 OF THE MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO LIMIT VOTING IN STATE  
3 AND LOCAL ELECTIONS TO CITIZENS OF MISSISSIPPI.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF  
5 MISSISSIPPI, TWO-THIRDS OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
6 CONCURRING THEREIN, WHICH TWO-THIRDS CONSISTS OF NOT LESS THAN A  
7 MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE, That the following  
8 amendment to the Mississippi Constitution of 1890 is proposed to  
9 the qualified electors of the state:

10 Amend Section 241, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read  
11 as follows:

12 Section 241. \* \* \* Only an inhabitant of this state, except  
13 idiots and insane persons, who is a citizen of the United States  
14 of America, eighteen (18) years old and upward, who has been a  
15 resident of this state for one (1) year, and for one (1) year in  
16 the county in which he offers to vote, and for six (6) months in  
17 the election precinct or in the incorporated city or town in which  
18 he offers to vote, and who is duly registered as provided in this



19 article, and who has never been convicted of murder, rape,  
20 bribery, theft, arson, obtaining money or goods under false  
21 pretense, perjury, forgery, embezzlement or bigamy, is declared to  
22 be a qualified elector, except that he shall be qualified to vote  
23 for President and Vice President of the United States if he meets  
24 the requirements established by Congress therefor and is otherwise  
25 a qualified elector.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the amendment in this resolution  
27 shall be submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified  
28 electors at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the  
29 first Monday of November 2024, as provided by Section 273 of the  
30 Constitution and by general law.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of the amendment  
32 for the ballot shall read as follows: "The current language of  
33 the Mississippi Constitution leaves an opportunity for noncitizen  
34 inhabitants of Mississippi to vote in local and state elections.  
35 By amending the Constitution's language as proposed, eligible  
36 voters in local and state elections would be limited to citizens  
37 of Mississippi."

