



SC PERSONHOOD CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT S.719 Introduced in SC Senate April 28, 2015

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[COLUMBIA, SC] The SC Personhood Constitutional Amendment ([S.719](#)) was introduced in the SC Senate today, sponsored by Senator [Lee Bright](#) (R-Gvl/Spart). This year is the first session of the SC General Assembly in which personhood **constitutional amendment** legislation has been filed in SC. [S.719](#) is a [Joint Resolution](#) proposing an amendment to the SC Constitution which must first be passed by 2/3 of the SC Legislators in both the Senate and the House, in order to allow SC citizens the opportunity to vote 'Yes' or 'No' on this question on the November 2016 ballot:

"Must Article I of the Constitution of this State be amended so as to add Section 3.a. to provide that the privileges and immunities of citizens of South Carolina and the United States shall not be abridged, so that no person shall be deprived of life without due process of law, nor shall any person be denied the equal protection of the laws. These rights shall extend to both born and preborn persons beginning at conception?"

SC Legislators have had their opportunity to protect the unborn for the past 17 years, during which Personhood Bills have been active in the SC Legislature each and every year ([1998 - 2015](#)). However, they have failed to do their God-given (Romans 13:1-4, [KJV](#)), Oath-sworn duty, to **"establish Justice"** (Preamble, [United States Constitution](#)). It is time to let the people vote. The headline of a notice by Voice of the Unborn about a personhood constitutional amendment, published in *The Times Examiner* (Greenville, SC), April 15, 2015, stated it clearly: **LET US VOTE!**

Glory to God, He has **already** decided. God says: "Thou shalt not kill (murder)." Exodus 20:13, [KJV](#). Amen !

Voters in the June 2014 Republican Primary have **already approved** a personhood constitutional amendment, which won by [more than 78%](#) overall in the 45 SC counties in which it appeared on the [Official Ballot](#) as [Advisory Question #1](#). Praise God ! Except for the removal of one hyphen in the word 'pre-born', the SC Personhood Constitutional Amendment ([S.719](#)) introduced today, is exactly, word for word, identically verbatim to what the Republican Primary voters **already approved** by [more than 78%](#) in June 2014.

So we are calling on SC Legislators, not only to let the people vote, but to let the people vote on what [over 240,000](#) Republican Primary voters have **already** shown by their votes they believe !!!

[Christians](#) among America's forefathers rendered [the historic battle-cry](#) "No King but King Jesus!". [1 Tim. 6:15, [KJV](#).] Beginning in the American Revolutionary period, 240 years ago, William Blackstone's [Commentaries on the Laws of England](#) were used for perhaps a century or more (including at times during the 1867-1877 period at [USC Law School](#) in Columbia, SC) to instruct America's lawyers. [Blackstone wrote:](#) "Upon these two foundations, the law of nature and the law of revelation, depend all human laws; that is to say, no human laws should be suffered to contradict these. ... To instance in the case of murder: this is expressly forbidden by the divine, and demonstrably by the natural law; and, from these prohibitions, arises the true unlawfulness of this crime. ... Nay, if any human law should allow or injoin us to commit it, we are bound to transgress that human law,..." Blackstone sourced the revealed or divine law thusly, "The doctrines thus delivered we call the revealed or divine law, and they are to be found only in the holy scriptures." (i.e., the Bible) [[Introduction. Section II. OF THE NATURE OF LAWS IN GENERAL, p.28,](#) (pub'd) [1863](#)]

Now that [S.719](#) is introduced, next is assignment to a SC Senate Judiciary Subcommittee for a public hearing and passage. Call, write, e-mail, visit Senator [Larry Martin](#) (R-Pickens), Chairman of the [SC Senate Judiciary Committee](#). Ask him to **promptly** assign [S.719](#) to a **favorable** Subcommittee. Contact Senator [Larry Martin](#) in Columbia: PO Box 142, Columbia, SC 29202 / 803-212-6610; and in Pickens: PO Box 247, Pickens, SC 29671 / Home 864-878-6105.