

**Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the Arkansas  
Constitution.**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 84th General Assembly  
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5 By: Representative King  
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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

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22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL  
23 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL  
24 MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:  
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26 That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of  
27 the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state  
28 for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives  
29 and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election,  
30 adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of  
31 the State of Arkansas, to wit:  
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33 SECTION 1. Section 14 of Article 19 of the Arkansas Constitution is  
34 amended to read as follows:

35 § 14. Lotteries ~~prohibited.~~

36 ~~No lottery shall be authorized by this State, nor shall the sale of~~



1 ~~lottery tickets be allowed.~~

2 (a) Except as specifically provided in this section, all lotteries and  
3 the sale of lottery tickets are prohibited.

4 (b)(1) The General Assembly may by law define lottery and provide for  
5 the operation and regulation of a lottery or lotteries by or on behalf of the  
6 state, and for any matters relating to the purposes or provisions of this  
7 subsection.

8 (2) Proceeds derived from the lottery or lotteries operated by  
9 or on behalf of the state shall be deposited into the State Treasury and used  
10 to pay the operating expenses of the lottery or lotteries, including all  
11 prizes, without any appropriation required by law, and to supplement, not  
12 supplant, appropriations provided by the General Assembly for educational  
13 programs and educational purposes, and for a trust fund as provided by this  
14 amendment and the General Assembly.

15 (3) The proceeds after payment of the operating expenses shall  
16 be separately accounted for and divided as follows:

17 (A)(i) Fifty percent (50%) shall be deposited into and  
18 held in a trust fund entitled "Education Trust Fund" together with any  
19 interest accumulated on the funds until the Education Trust Fund has a  
20 balance equal to or exceeding one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000);

21 (ii) Any amount in Education Trust Fund balance  
22 exceeding one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) may be subject to  
23 appropriation by the General Assembly solely for educational programs and  
24 educational purposes; and

25 (B) Fifty percent (50%) shall be specifically identified as  
26 a separate budget category entitled "Lottery Proceeds", and subject to  
27 appropriation by the General Assembly solely for educational programs and  
28 educational purposes.

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30 SECTION 2. This amendment becomes effective on January 1, 2005.

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32 /s/ King