

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

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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 financial institutions
10 other than the State Treasury and used to pay the operating expenses of the
11 lottery or lotteries, including all prizes, without any appropriation
12 required by law, and to supplement, not supplant, appropriations provided by
13 the General Assembly for educational programs and educational purposes, and
14 for a trust fund as provided by this 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 deposited into the State
26 Lottery Trust Fund and be specifically identified as a separate budget
27 category entitled "Lottery Proceeds", and subject to appropriation by the
28 General Assembly solely for educational programs and educational purposes.

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

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32 /s/ King
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