

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas  
2 83rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2001  
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# A Bill

Act 789 of 2001  
HOUSE BILL 1698

5 By: Representatives Agee, Rankin  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-9-104 PERTAINING TO  
10 THE FORMS FOR FILING AN INITIATIVE PETITION; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 7-9-104  
14 PERTAINING TO THE FORMS FOR FILING AN  
15 INITIATIVE PETITION.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 7-9-104 is amended to read as follows:

22 7-9-104. Form of initiative petition - Sufficiency of signatures.

23 (a) ~~The following shall be substantially the form of~~ petition for any  
24 ordinance, law, or amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas  
25 proposed by initiative shall be on forms provided by the Secretary of State  
26 and shall read as follows:

27 "INITIATIVE PETITION.

28 To the Honorable  
29 \_\_\_\_\_

30 Secretary of State of the State of Arkansas, or County Clerk, or City  
31 Clerk

32 We, the undersigned legal voters of the State of Arkansas, or  
33 \_\_\_\_\_ County, Arkansas, or City of \_\_\_\_\_ or Incorporated  
34 Town of \_\_\_\_\_, Arkansas (as the case may be) respectfully propose  
35 the following amendment to the Constitution of the State, or law, or  
36 ordinance (as the case may be), to wit:

1 (Here insert title and full text of measure proposed.)

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7 and by this, our petition, order that the same be submitted to the people  
8 of said state, or county, or municipality (as the case may be), to the end  
9 that the same may be adopted, enacted, or rejected by the vote of legal  
10 voters of said (state, county, or municipality) at the regular general  
11 election to be held in said \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1920  
12 \_\_\_\_\_, and each of us for himself says:

13 I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of  
14 Arkansas, and my printed name, date of birth, residence, city or town of  
15 residence, and date of signing this petition are correctly written after my  
16 signature."

17 (b) The information provided by the person on the petition may be used  
18 as evidence of the validity or invalidity of the signature. However, if a  
19 signature of a registered voter on such petition is sufficient to verify the  
20 voter's name, then it shall not be adjudged invalid for failure to sign the  
21 name or write the residence and city or town of residence exactly as it  
22 appears on voter registration records, for failure to print the name in the  
23 space provided, for failure to provide the correct date of birth, nor for  
24 failure to provide the correct date of signing the petition, all such  
25 information being an aid to verification rather than a mandatory requirement  
26 to perfect the validity of the signature.

27 (c) No additional sheets of voter signatures shall be attached to any  
28 such petition unless such sheets contain the full language of the petition.

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APPROVED: 3/14/2001

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