

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

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

9 PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT 7 TO
10 THE CONSTITUTION OF ARKANSAS TO REQUIRE THE SUPREME
11 COURT TO CORRECT THE BALLOT TITLE OF INITIATIVES; TO
12 SET THE DEADLINE FOR THE REVIEW OF BALLOT TITLES.
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23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD GENERAL
24 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS
25 ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

26 That the following is hereby proposed as an amendment to the
27 Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the
28 electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election
29 for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon
30 at such election, adopt such amendment, the same shall become a part of the
31 Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

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33 SECTION 1. Unnumbered paragraph 21 of Amendment 7 to the Constitution
34 of Arkansas is amended to read as follows:

35 Sufficiency - (a)(1) The sufficiency of all State-wide petitions shall
36 be decided in the first instance by the Secretary of State, subject to review

1 by the Supreme Court of the State, which shall have original and exclusive
2 jurisdiction over all such causes.

3 (2) In the event the Supreme Court determines that the ballot
4 title is insufficient, the Supreme Court shall review the petition and correct
5 the ballot title to accurately reflect the contents of the petition.

6 (3) The Supreme Court shall establish a deadline for the review
7 of the petitions in order to complete the review and revision of the petition
8 and the ballot title in sufficient time to place the ballot title on the
9 general election ballot.

10 (b) The sufficiency of all local petitions shall be decided in the
11 first instance by the county clerk or the city clerk, as the case may be,
12 subject to review by the Chancery Court.

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