

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

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8 **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

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22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD GENERAL
23 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL
24 MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

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

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32 SECTION 1. Section 2 of Amendment 42 of the Arkansas Constitution of
33 1874 is amended to read as follows:

34 §2. Qualifications and appointment of members - Terms of office of
35 first commission.

36 Within ten days after the convening of the General Assembly of the

1 State of Arkansas in the year ~~1953~~ 2003, the Governor, by and with the advice
 2 and consent of the Senate, shall appoint five persons who are qualified
 3 electors of the State to constitute the State Highway Commission for terms of
 4 ~~two, four, six, eight and ten~~ one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), and five
 5 (5) years, respectively. Four (4) of the persons appointed shall be the
 6 members of the current State Highway Commission whose terms end after 2003
 7 who shall be reappointed to fulfill these shorter terms. The terms of the
 8 persons so appointed shall be determined by lot. The Commissioners to be
 9 appointed from the State at large; provided, ~~however, that no two~~
 10 ~~Commissioners shall be appointed from any single Congressional District~~ each
 11 congressional district is represented by having at least one member on the
 12 Commission. If a redistricting of congressional districts results in no
 13 commissioner presently serving from a district, the next appointment to the
 14 Commission shall be from a district which is not represented.

15 In the event of rejection by the Senate of a person whose name has been
 16 so submitted, the Governor shall within five days after receipt of written
 17 notice from the Secretary of the Senate of such rejection submit the name of
 18 another appointee to fill such vacancy. In the event the Governor should
 19 within five days thereafter fail to appoint or fail to submit to the Senate
 20 for confirmation the name of any person to be appointed, the Senate shall
 21 proceed to make the appointment of its own choice.

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 23 SECTION 2. Section 3 of Amendment 42 of the Arkansas Constitution of
 24 1874 is amended to read as follows:

25 §3. Terms of office of members.

26 Upon the expiration of the foregoing terms of said Commissioners, a
 27 successor shall be appointed by the Governor in the manner provided for in
 28 Section 2 for a term of ~~ten~~ five (5) years, which term shall thereafter be
 29 for each member of the Commission.

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