

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 INCREASE*
10 *THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY*
11 *COMMISSION FROM FIVE TO NINE; TO REDUCE TERMS OF*
12 *THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION FROM TEN YEARS TO*
13 *FOUR YEARS; TO UPDATE LANGUAGE ON DISTRICT*
14 *REPRESENTATION; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DIRECTOR*
15 *OF HIGHWAYS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.*

Subtitle

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18 *PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO*
19 *INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE HIGHWAY*
20 *COMMISSION; TO REDUCE THE LENGTH OF TERMS*
21 *FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION; AND TO*
22 *PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR APPOINTS THE*
23 *DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS.*

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

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

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35 SECTION 1. Section 2 of Amendment 42 of the Arkansas Constitution of
36 1874 is amended to read as follows:

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

3 *Within ten days after the convening of the General Assembly of the State*
4 *of Arkansas in the year ~~1953~~ 2003, the Governor, by and with the advice and*
5 *consent of the Senate, shall appoint ~~five~~ nine persons who are qualified*
6 *electors of the State to constitute the State Highway Commission ~~for terms of~~*
7 *~~two, four, six, eight and ten years respectively. The terms of the persons so~~*
8 *~~appointed~~ The terms of those initially appointed shall be as follows: two for*
9 *terms of one year, two for terms of two years, two for terms of three years,*
10 *and three for terms of four years. Four of the persons appointed shall be the*
11 *members of the current State Highway Commission whose terms end after 2003 who*
12 *shall be reappointed to fulfill these shorter terms and whose terms shall be*
13 *determined by lot. The Commissioners to be appointed from the State at large,*
14 *provided, however, that no two Commissioners shall be appointed from any*
15 *single Congressional District. At least two members shall be appointed from*
16 *each Congressional District. If a redistricting of congressional districts*
17 *results in any district having fewer than two members, the next appointment or*
18 *appointments to the Commission shall be from such district.*

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

26 *No person shall be eligible to serve more than two four year terms on*
27 *the commission.*

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29 SECTION 2. Section 3 of Amendment 42 of the Arkansas Constitution of
30 1874 is amended to read as follows:

31 §3. Terms of office of members.

32 Upon the expiration of the foregoing terms of said Commissioners, a
33 successor shall be appointed by the Governor in the manner provided for in
34 Section 2 for a term of ~~ten~~ four years, which term shall thereafter be for
35 each member of the Commission.

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1 SECTION 3. Section 6 of Amendment 42 of the Arkansas Constitution of
2 1874 is amended to read as follows:

3 § 6. Director of Highways. The ~~Commission~~ Governor shall appoint a
4 Director of Highways ~~who~~ subject to the approval of the commission and
5 confirmation by the Senate. The Director shall have such duties as may be
6 prescribed by the Commission or by statute.

7 /s/ Al tes

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