

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

1 State of Arkansas
2 85th General Assembly
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5 By: Representative Rosenbaum
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

9 PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS
10 CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
11 HAS THE SOLE POWER TO DETERMINE THE ADEQUACY,
12 SUITABILITY, AND EFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND
13 PROHIBITING A STATE COURT FROM REVIEWING ACTS OF
14 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT APPROPRIATE PUBLIC
15 SCHOOL FUNDS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

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25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH GENERAL
26 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL
27 MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:
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29 That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of
30 the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state
31 for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives
32 and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election,
33 adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of
34 the State of Arkansas, to wit:
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36 SECTION 1. (a) The General Assembly has the sole power and



1 responsibility to determine the adequacy, suitability, and efficiency of the
2 public schools of the State of Arkansas.

3 (b) The Judicial Department of this state has no jurisdiction to
4 entertain or grant relief for claims arising under the Constitution of the
5 State of Arkansas, the United States Constitution, or the laws of the United
6 States concerning acts of the General Assembly that appropriate public funds
7 for public school purposes.

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