

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

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7 **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

8 AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION PROVIDING
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13 **Subtitle**

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20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE
21 OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS
22 ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

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

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31 SECTION 1. Article 7, Section 46, of the Arkansas Constitution is
32 amended to read as follows:

33 § 46. County executive officers – Compensation of county assessor.

34 (a) The qualified electors of each county shall elect ~~one Sheriff, who~~
35 ~~shall be ex-officio collector of taxes, unless otherwise provided by law; one~~
36 Assessor, one Coroner, one Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio treasurer of



1 the common school fund of the county, and one County Surveyor; for the term
2 of two (2) years, with such duties as are now or may be prescribed by law:
3 Provided, that no per centum shall ever be paid to assessors upon the
4 valuation or assessment of property by them.

5 (b)(1) The qualified electors of each county shall elect one (1)
6 Sheriff for the term of four (4) years, with such duties as are now or may be
7 prescribed by law.

8 (2) The Sheriff shall be ex-officio collector of taxes, unless
9 otherwise provided by law.

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11 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. (a) This amendment shall become effective
12 on January 1, 2017.

13 (b) A person elected to the office of Sheriff at the 2016 general
14 election preceding January 1, 2017, shall serve a term of two (2) years.

15 (c) A person elected to the office of Sheriff after January 1, 2017,
16 shall serve a term of four (4) years.

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18 SECTION 3. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed
19 amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election
20 ballot:

21 (1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot
22 title; and

23 (2) The popular name shall be "An Amendment to the Arkansas
24 Constitution Providing that Persons Elected to the Office of Sheriff Shall
25 Serve a Term of Four (4) Years".