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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Joint Resolution No. 1008

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO AMEND THE PROCESS FOR THE SUBMISSION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INITIATED ACTS, CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, AND REFERENDA.

Amendment No. 1 to House Joint Resolution 1008

Amend House Joint Resolution No. 1008 as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 3 of the joint resolution and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. The subsection of Arkansas Constitution, Article 5, § 1, titled "Sufficiency", is amended to read as follows:

Sufficiency. (a) The sufficiency of all ~~state-wide~~ statewide petitions shall be decided in the first instance by the Secretary of State, subject to review by the Supreme Court of the State, which shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction over all such causes. The sufficiency of all local petitions shall be decided in the first instance by the county clerk or the city clerk as the case may be, subject to review by the chancery circuit court.

(b) A challenge to a proposed statewide initiated measure shall be filed no later than April 15 of the year of the general election at which it shall be voted upon, including without limitation a challenge to the sufficiency of the:

- (1) Text of a proposed statewide initiated measure;
- (2) Title of a proposed statewide initiated measure to be used on the ballot;
- (3) Signatures on a statewide petition; or
- (4) Forms on which signatures were gathered for a statewide petition."



The Amendment was read _____
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