

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

1 State of Arkansas
2 84th General Assembly
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5 By: Representative Thyer
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS
CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL SESSIONS OF
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Subtitle

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19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL
21 MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:
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23 That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of
24 the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state
25 for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives
26 and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election,
27 adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of
28 the State of Arkansas, to wit:
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30 SECTION 1. Article 5, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of
31 Arkansas is amended to read as follows:

32 § 5. Time of meeting.

33 The General Assembly shall meet in regular session at the seat of
34 government ~~every two years on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in~~
35 ~~November until said time be altered~~ at such time as provided by law.
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1 SECTION 2. Article 5, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of
2 Arkansas is amended to read as follows:

3 § 17. Duration of sessions.

4 The ~~regular biennial sessions~~ General Assembly shall meet in regular
5 session each year and the sessions shall not exceed ~~sixty days~~ thirty (30)
6 calendar days in duration, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members
7 elected to each house of said General Assembly. Provided, that this section
8 shall not apply ~~to the first session of the General Assembly under this~~
9 ~~Constitution,~~ ~~or~~ when impeachments are pending.

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11 SECTION 3. This amendment becomes effective on January 1, 2005.
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