

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

1 State of Arkansas *As Engrossed: S4/2/03 S4/10/03*
2 84th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2003 SJR 4
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5 By: Senators *Womack, J. Bookout, Baker, Laverty, Broadway, Wilkins, J. Jeffress, Gullett, Salmon, Holt,*
6 *Steele, Trusty, Madison, Luker, Altes*
7 By: Representatives *P. Bookout, Elliott, Goss, Harris, Hathorn, Key, King, Lendall, Penix, Thyer,*
8 *Seawel, Hardwick, Mahony, Sumpter, Thomason, L. Evans, Scrimshire, Agee, Lamoureux, C. Taylor,*
9 *Borhauer, Bright, Green, House, Dees, Jones*

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of



1 Arkansas is amended to read as follows:

2 § 5. Time of meeting.

3 The General Assembly shall meet at the seat of government ~~every two~~
4 ~~years on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in November until said~~
5 each year on the second Monday in January until the time be altered by law.

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7 SECTION 2. Section 17 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of
8 Arkansas is amended to read as follows:

9 § 17. Duration of sessions.

10 The regular ~~biennial~~ annual sessions shall not exceed sixty days in
11 duration, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members elected to each house
12 of ~~said~~ the General Assembly. Provided, that this section shall not apply ~~to~~
13 ~~the first session of the General Assembly under this Constitution, or when~~
14 impeachments are pending.

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16 SECTION 3. This amendment becomes effective January 1, 2005.

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