

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

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
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SJR 14

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5 By: Senator Hendren  
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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

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9 PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT 14 OF THE  
10 ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL  
11 ASSEMBLY TO PASS SPECIAL OR LOCAL APPROPRIATION  
12 ACTS, IF THE APPROPRIATION FURTHERS A STATE  
13 INTEREST AND THE APPROPRIATION IS APPROVED BY A  
14 VOTE OF THREE-FOURTHS (3/4) OF THE MEMBERS  
15 ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY;  
16 AND REPEALING ARTICLE 5, § 26 OF THE ARKANSAS  
17 CONSTITUTION, WHICH IS OBSOLETE AND WAS  
18 SUPERSEDED BY AMENDMENT 14 IN 1926.  
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**Subtitle**

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21 PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE  
22 CONSTITUTION OF ARKANSAS AUTHORIZING THE  
23 GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PASS SPECIAL OR  
24 LOCAL APPROPRIATION ACTS THAT FURTHER A  
25 STATE INTEREST; AND TO REPEAL OBSOLETE  
26 LANGUAGE.  
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29 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
30 STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, A MAJORITY OF ALL  
31 MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:  
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33 That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of  
34 the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state  
35 for approval or rejection at the next general election for Senators and  
36 Representatives, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election



1 adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of  
2 the State of Arkansas, to wit:

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4 SECTION 1. Amendment 14 to the Arkansas Constitution is amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 (a) The General Assembly shall not pass any local or special act,  
7 except as provided by this amendment.

8 (b) The General Assembly may pass special or local appropriation acts,  
9 if the General Assembly determines that the appropriation furthers a state  
10 interest and the appropriation is approved by a vote of three-fourths (3/4)  
11 of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly.

12 (c) This amendment shall not prohibit the repeal of local or special  
13 acts.

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15 SECTION 2. Article 5, § 26 of the Arkansas Constitution, which was  
16 superseded by Amendment 14, is repealed.

17 ~~§ 26. Notice of local or special bills.~~

18 ~~No local or special bill shall be passed, unless notice of the~~  
19 ~~intention to apply therefor shall have been published, in the locality where~~  
20 ~~the matter or the thing to be affected may be situated; which notice shall~~  
21 ~~be, at least, thirty days prior to the introduction into the General Assembly~~  
22 ~~of such bill, and in the manner to be provided by law. The evidence of such~~  
23 ~~notice having been published, shall be exhibited in the General Assembly~~  
24 ~~before such act shall be passed.~~

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26 SECTION 3. This amendment shall become effective on January 1, 2009.  
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