

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

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8 **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

9 AMENDING THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE A
10 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO HUNT, FISH, TRAP, AND
11 HARVEST GAME.

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13 **Subtitle**

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19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
20 STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 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 Senators and
26 Representatives, 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. (a) The people have a right to hunt, fish, trap, and
31 harvest game, subject only to reasonable regulations prescribed by the
32 Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

33 (b) Consistent with the public trust to conserve birds, game, fish,
34 and wildlife, traditional methods may be used to take nonthreatened species
35 traditionally pursued.

36 (c) Public hunting, fishing, and trapping shall be a preferred means



1 of managing and controlling nonthreatened wildlife.

2 (d) Nothing in this amendment shall be construed to modify:

3 (1) Any provision of Amendment 35 to the Arkansas Constitution;

4 (2) Any common law or statutes relating to trespass, eminent
5 domain, or any other property rights; or

6 (3) The sovereign immunity of the State of Arkansas.

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