

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

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION PROVIDING
THAT PERSONS ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF SHALL
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Subtitle

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETIETH 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 Representatives
and Senators, 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. Article 7, Section 46, of the Arkansas Constitution is
amended to read as follows:

§ 46. County executive officers – Compensation of county assessor.

(a) The qualified electors of each county shall elect ~~one Sheriff, who~~
~~shall be ex-officio collector of taxes, unless otherwise provided by law;~~ one
Assessor, one Coroner, one Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio treasurer of



the common school fund of the county, and one County Surveyor; for the term of two (2) years, with such duties as are now or may be prescribed by law: Provided, that no per centum shall ever be paid to assessors upon the valuation or assessment of property by them.

(b)(1) The qualified electors of each county shall elect one (1) Sheriff for the term of four (4) years, with such duties as are now or may be prescribed by law.

(2) The Sheriff shall be ex-officio collector of taxes, unless otherwise provided by law.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. (a) This amendment shall become effective on January 1, 2017.

(b) A person elected to the office of Sheriff at the 2016 general election preceding January 1, 2017, shall serve a term of two (2) years.

(c) A person elected to the office of Sheriff after January 1, 2017, shall serve a term of four (4) years.

SECTION 3. BALLOT TITLE AND POPULAR NAME. When this proposed amendment is submitted to the electors of this state on the general election ballot:

(1) The title of this Joint Resolution shall be the ballot title; and

(2) The popular name shall be "An Amendment to the Arkansas Constitution Providing that Persons Elected to the Office of Sheriff Shall Serve a Term of Four (4) Years".