

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

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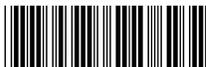
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**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

8 AMENDING THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE  
9 GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE BY LAW THAT A VOTER  
10 VOTING IN PERSON SHALL PRESENT VALID GOVERNMENT-  
11 ISSUED PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION BEFORE RECEIVING A  
12 BALLOT; TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
13 ESTABLISH BY LAW THE TYPES OF GOVERNMENT-ISSUED  
14 PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION THAT A PERSON MAY PRESENT  
15 TO RECEIVE A BALLOT; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE OF  
16 ARKANSAS ISSUE PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION AT NO  
17 CHARGE TO AN ELIGIBLE VOTER WHO DOES NOT HAVE A FORM  
18 OF IDENTIFICATION MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS ENACTED BY  
19 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO PROVIDE THAT A VOTER UNABLE  
20 TO PRESENT GOVERNMENT-ISSUED PHOTOGRAPHIC  
21 IDENTIFICATION BE PERMITTED TO SUBMIT A PROVISIONAL  
22 BALLOT AND THAT A PROVISIONAL BALLOT BE COUNTED ONLY  
23 IF THE VOTER SUBSEQUENTLY CERTIFIES THE PROVISIONAL  
24 BALLOT IN A MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW; TO PROVIDE THAT  
25 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL IMPLEMENT THIS AMENDMENT  
26 BY LAW; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY  
27 PROVIDE BY LAW FOR EXCEPTIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT-  
28 ISSUED PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.

**Subtitle**

32 AMENDING THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO  
33 REQUIRE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE  
34 THAT A VOTER VOTING IN PERSON SHALL  
35 PRESENT VALID GOVERNMENT-ISSUED  
36 PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION BEFORE



RECEIVING A BALLOT.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE 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. The Arkansas Constitution is amended to add an additional amendment to read as follows:

(a)(1) The General Assembly shall provide by law that a voter voting in person shall present valid government-issued photographic identification before receiving a ballot.

(2) The General Assembly shall establish by law the types of government-issued photographic identification that a person may present to receive a ballot.

(b) The State of Arkansas shall issue photographic identification at no charge to an eligible voter who does not have a form of identification meeting the requirements of the law enacted by the General Assembly under this section.

(c)(1) A voter unable to present government-issued photographic identification shall be permitted to vote a provisional ballot.

(2) A provisional ballot shall be counted only if the voter subsequently certifies the provisional ballot in a manner provided by law.

(d)(1) The General Assembly shall implement the provisions of this amendment by law.

(2) The General Assembly may provide by law for exceptions to the requirement that valid government-issued photographic identification be presented before receiving a ballot.