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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 TO AMEND THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
9 THE NINETY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AMEND THE
10 PROCESS BY WHICH THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAY
11 CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.

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14 **Subtitle**

15 TO AMEND THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF
16 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIRST
17 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIRST GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 SECTION 1. Section 38.(n) of the Rules of the House of Representatives
24 of the Ninety-First General Assembly of the State of Arkansas is amended to
25 read as follows:

26 38. (n) (a) ~~The Joint Committee on Constitutional Amendments shall~~
27 ~~consist of the members of the Senate Committee on State Agencies and~~
28 ~~Governmental Affairs and the members of the House Committee on State Agencies~~
29 ~~and Governmental Affairs. No proposed constitutional amendment can be~~
30 ~~recommended to either House of the General Assembly except upon the~~
31 ~~affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Senate Committee on~~
32 ~~State Agencies and Governmental Affairs and an affirmative vote of a majority~~
33 ~~of the members of the House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental~~
34 ~~Affairs.~~ No resolution proposing a constitutional amendment shall be filed
35 in ~~either~~ the House of Representatives ~~or the Senate~~ after the thirty-first
36 (31st) day of each regular session of the General Assembly. Proposed



1 constitutional amendments may only be considered during regular sessions.

2 38. (n)(b) All resolutions proposing constitutional amendments shall
3 be referred to the ~~Joint~~ House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental
4 Affairs, which by an affirmative vote of its members may recommend proposals
5 one-at-a-time to the House of Representatives for its consideration. Other
6 resolutions proposing constitutional amendments shall not be reported to or
7 considered by either House of the General Assembly until the original
8 recommendations of the Joint Committee on State Agencies and Governmental
9 Affairs are disposed of. A resolution proposing a constitutional amendment
10 may be considered only during a regular session. The Joint Committee on
11 Constitutional Amendments shall meet on the first (1st) Tuesday after the
12 thirty-first (31st) day of each regular session of the General Assembly to
13 establish a meeting calendar and meet regularly thereafter.

14 38. (n)(c) Any proposed constitutional amendment initiated in and
15 approved by the House of Representatives shall be transmitted to the Senate
16 for its consideration. If the Senate fails to approve a House-proposed
17 constitutional amendment, the House of Representatives may proceed to
18 initiate other proposed constitutional amendments one-at-a-time for Senate
19 consideration.

20 38. (n)(d) Any proposed constitutional amendment received from the
21 Senate shall be referred to the House Committee on State Agencies and
22 Governmental Affairs, which by an affirmative vote of its members may
23 recommend the proposal to the House of Representatives for its consideration.

24 38. (n)(e) Upon adoption by the General Assembly of a House-proposed
25 constitutional amendment and a Senate-proposed constitutional amendment, in
26 accordance with the Joint Rules, a third proposed constitutional amendment
27 may be considered and voted upon by the General Assembly only after identical
28 resolutions authorizing the consideration of the third proposed
29 constitutional amendment have been approved by an affirmative vote of two-
30 thirds (2/3) of the members elected to each house.

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