



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 17

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 4, Section 9 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Synopsis: General Assembly sessions. Provides that the General Assembly shall meet at the state capital, at a place designated by law, in odd-numbered years, ending on a date that is appointed by law. Provides that the General Assembly may provide by law that it may: (1) convene outside of regular session; and (2) determine the length, frequency, and procedure by which a session outside of regular session may be called to convene. Provides that if the Governor considers that the public welfare requires it, the Governor may request that the General Assembly meet in a special session under procedures that the General Assembly specifies by law.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 19, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.



Introduced

First Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2023)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 4, Section 9 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning the general assembly.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
3 Twenty-Third General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred
4 to the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
- 5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 4, SECTION 9 OF THE CONSTITUTION
6 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS
7 FOLLOWS: Section 9. **(a)** The sessions of the General Assembly shall
8 be held:
- 9 **(1)** at the ~~capitol of the State~~, **commencing state capital at a**
10 **place designated by law;**
- 11 **(2) beginning** on the Tuesday ~~next~~ after the second Monday in
12 January of each **odd-numbered** year ~~in which the General~~



1 Assembly meets unless a different day or place shall have been is
2 appointed by law; **and**
3 **(3) ending on the date that is appointed by law. But**
4 if, in the opinion of the Governor, the public welfare shall require
5 it, he may, at any time by proclamation, call a special session. The
6 length and frequency of the sessions of
7 **(b) The General Assembly shall be fixed may provide by law that**
8 **it may convene in session at times other than required by**
9 **subsection (a). The General Assembly may provide by law for the**
10 **length, frequency, and procedure by which sessions under this**
11 **subsection may be called to convene.**
12 **(c) If the Governor considers that the public welfare requires it,**
13 **the Governor may request that the General Assembly meet in a**
14 **special session under procedures that the General Assembly**
15 **specifies by law.**

