

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC is hereby given that the following popular name and ballot title for a proposed constitutional amendment has been certified by the Arkansas Attorney General. Pursuant to Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 7, any party may contest the popular name and ballot title as an original action with the Arkansas Supreme Court after the Secretary of State has verified the petition as having the sufficient number of qualified electors' signatures to have the measure placed on the ballot at the next general election.

Notice of Certification of Sufficiency

Pursuant to A.C.A. § 7-9-107

On May 16, 2007, this office received Opinion No. 2007-159A from the Attorney General for the State of Arkansas whereby he approved and certified a Popular Name and Ballot Title. Pursuant to A.C.A. § 7-9-107 the Secretary of State shall also approve and certify the proposed Popular Name and Ballot Title as certified by the Attorney General.

Therefore, I, Charlie Daniels, Secretary of State, State of Arkansas, do hereby approve and certify the sufficiency of the following:

Popular Name

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING TERM LIMITS AND TERMS OF OFFICE FOR CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS

Ballot Title

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CURRENT TWO (2) YEARS TO FOUR (4) YEARS, MAKING IT THE SAME AS THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS SENATE, BUT SETTING A TWO (2)-YEAR TERM FOR REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS ELECTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE

APPORTIONMENT THAT OCCURS AFTER EACH FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS; STATING THAT THESE CHANGES SHALL NOT MODIFY A TERM OF OFFICE OF A PERSON WHO WAS ELECTED TO THE OFFICE IN THE 2008 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING THAT THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE SHALL NOT BE MODIFIED FOR THE PURPOSE OF STAGGERING TERMS, EFFECTIVELY REPEALING THAT PART OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT 23 THAT REQUIRES SENATORS TO DRAW LOTS TO FIX TERMS FOLLOWING APPORTIONMENT; AMENDING ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT 73 TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON MAY NOT BE ELECTED TO MORE THAN THREE (3) TERMS IN THE HOUSE OR SENATE, WHETHER TWO-YEAR OR FOUR-YEAR TERMS AS PROVIDED BY THIS AMENDMENT, (WHEREAS AMENDMENT 73 CURRENTLY LIMITS REPRESENTATIVES TO THREE (3) TWO-YEAR TERMS AND SENATORS TO TWO (2) FOUR-YEAR TERMS); APPLYING THE RESTRICTION ONLY TO PERSONS ELECTED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1991; AUTHORIZING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL TERM IN THE HOUSE OR SENATE, RESPECTIVELY, FOR ANY PERSON WHO WAS ELECTED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1991, AND BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2009, TO THREE (3) TWO-YEAR TERMS IN THE HOUSE OR TWO (2) FOUR-YEAR TERMS IN THE SENATE; CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR JUSTICES OF THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT AND JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS FROM THE CURRENT EIGHT (8) YEARS TO SIX (6) YEARS; IMPOSING A NEW TERM LIMITATION RESTRICTING JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS TO TWO (2) SIX-YEAR TERMS; AUTHORIZING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL TERM OF SIX (6) YEARS FOR ANY JUSTICE OR JUDGE SERVING ON JANUARY 1, 2009, UNLESS AT THE END OF THE TERM EXISTING ON JANUARY 1, 2009, THE JUSTICE OR JUDGE WILL HAVE SERVED AT LEAST TWELVE (12) YEARS ON THE SUPREME COURT; CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR CIRCUIT CLERKS, COUNTY JUDGES, CONSTABLES, AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICERS (SHERIFF, COLLECTOR, ASSESSOR, CORONER, TREASURER AND SURVEYOR) FROM THE CURRENT TWO (2) YEARS TO FOUR (4) YEARS; CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR JUSTICES OF

THE PEACE FROM TWO (2) TO FOUR (4) YEARS, BUT SETTING A TWO (2)-YEAR TERM FOR JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ELECTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING APPORTIONMENT; AUTHORIZING THE QUORUM COURT TO CREATE, CONSOLIDATE, SEPARATE, REVISE, OR ABANDON ANY ELECTIVE TOWNSHIP OFFICE OR OFFICES (SUCH AS CONSTABLE), EXCEPT DURING THE TERM OF THE OFFICE; ESTABLISHING A FOUR (4)-YEAR TERM OF OFFICE FOR ALL ELECTED OFFICERS OF CITIES, TOWNS, AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS, BUT SETTING A TWO (2)-YEAR TERM FOR ANY NON-AT-LARGE MEMBER OF A GOVERNING BODY ELECTED AT THE GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING APPORTIONMENT; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS AMENDMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON JANUARY 1, 2009.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Office of Secretary of State on this the 16th day of May, 2007.

Charlie Daniels
SECRETARY OF STATE
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