

House Joint Resolution 2002 - Introduced

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION _____
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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

1 A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
2 the State of Iowa relating to the sessions of the General
3 Assembly.
4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
1 2 the State of Iowa is proposed:
1 3 Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of the State
1 4 of Iowa, as amended by amendment number 1 of the Amendments of
1 5 1968 and by amendment number 2 of the Amendments of 1974, is
1 6 repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:
1 7 BIENNIAL SESSIONS OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY == SPECIAL SESSIONS.
1 8 SEC. 2. The sessions of the General Assembly shall be
1 9 biennial, and shall commence on the second Monday in January
1 10 next ensuing the election of its members. Upon written
1 11 request to the presiding officer of each House of the General
1 12 Assembly by two-thirds of the members of each House, the
1 13 General Assembly shall convene in special session. The
1 14 Governor of the state may convene the General Assembly by
1 15 proclamation in the interim.
1 16 Sec. 2. REFERRAL AND PUBLICATION. The foregoing amendment
1 17 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is referred to the
1 18 General Assembly to be chosen at the next general election for
1 19 members of the General Assembly, and the Secretary of State is
1 20 directed to cause the same to be published for three
1 21 consecutive months previous to the date of that election as
1 22 provided by law.

EXPLANATION

1 24 This joint resolution proposes an amendment to the
1 25 Constitution of the State of Iowa relating to sessions of the
1 26 General Assembly. The resolution provides for biennial
1 27 sessions of the General Assembly instead of annual sessions
1 28 which shall commence in the year following election of its
1 29 members.
1 30 The resolution, if adopted, would be referred to the next
1 31 General Assembly for adoption a second time before being
1 32 submitted to the electorate for ratification.
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