



General Assembly

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**Amendment**

LCO No. 3793

Offered by:

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To: Senate Jt. Res.No. 15

File No. 251

Cal. No. 448

***"Resolution Proposing An Amendment To The  
Constitution To Eliminate County Sheriffs."***

1 In line 1, before "That", insert "Section 1."

2 After line 65, insert the following:

3 "Sec. 2. That the following be proposed as an amendment to the  
4 Constitution of the State, which, when approved and adopted in the  
5 manner provided by the Constitution, shall, to all intents and  
6 purposes, become a part thereof:

7 Section 1. Section 8 of article third of the Constitution is amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 A general election for members of the General Assembly shall be  
10 held on the Tuesday after the first Monday of November, biennially, in  
11 the even-numbered years, except that starting with the general election  
12 held in 2002, (1) such election shall be held on the Tuesday after the  
13 first Monday of November, quadrennially, and (2) all members of the  
14 General Assembly shall be elected to hold office for terms of four

15 years. The General Assembly shall have power to enact laws  
16 regulating and prescribing the order and manner of voting for such  
17 members, for filling vacancies in either the House of Representatives  
18 or the Senate, and providing for the election of representatives or  
19 senators at some time subsequent to the Tuesday after the first  
20 Monday of November in all cases when it shall so happen that the  
21 electors in any district shall fail on that day to elect a representative or  
22 senator.

23 Sec. 2. Section 10 of article third of the Constitution is amended to  
24 read as follows:

25 The members of the General Assembly shall hold their offices from  
26 the Wednesday following the first Monday of the January next  
27 succeeding their election until the Wednesday after the first Monday of  
28 the third January next succeeding their election, except that the  
29 members of the General Assembly who are elected at the general  
30 election held in 2002, or at any general election held thereafter, shall  
31 hold their offices until the Wednesday after the first Monday of the  
32 fifth January next succeeding their election, and until their successors  
33 are duly qualified.

34 Sec. 3. Article third of the Constitution is amended by adding  
35 section 19 as follows:

36 (NEW) Sec. 19. No candidate for the office of state senator or state  
37 representative may accept contributions or receipts supporting the  
38 candidate's campaign for nomination or election to said office until one  
39 year preceding the day of the election for said office.

40 RESOLVED: That the foregoing proposed amendment to the  
41 Constitution be continued to the next session of the General Assembly  
42 elected at the general election to be held on November 7, 2000, and  
43 published with the laws passed at the present session, or be presented  
44 to the electors at the general election to be held on November 7, 2000,  
45 whichever the case may be, according to article sixth of the  
46 amendments to the Constitution. The designation of said proposed

47 amendment to be used on the voting machine ballot labels and  
48 absentee ballots at such election shall be "Shall the Constitution of the  
49 State be amended to provide for four-year terms for members of the  
50 General Assembly?"