



**100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2017 and 2018**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**HC0031**

Introduced , by Rep. La Shawn K. Ford

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. III, Sec. 2

Proposes to amend the Suffrage and Elections Article of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that the General Assembly may by law provide for the right to vote of a person convicted of a felony, or otherwise under sentence in a correctional institution or jail, but in any event the right to vote shall be restored not later than upon completion of his or her sentence. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION  
2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
4 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE  
5 CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the  
6 electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general  
7 election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of  
8 this resolution a proposition to amend Section 2 of Article III  
9 of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

10 ARTICLE III  
11 SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS

12 (ILCON Art. III, Sec. 2)

13 SECTION 2. VOTING RIGHTS; FELONS DISQUALIFICATIONS

14 The General Assembly may by law provide for the right to  
15 vote of a person convicted of a felony, or otherwise under  
16 sentence in a correctional institution or jail, but in any  
17 event the right to vote shall be restored not later than upon  
18 completion of his or her sentence. ~~A person convicted of a~~  
19 ~~felony, or otherwise under sentence in a correctional~~  
20 ~~institution or jail, shall lose the right to vote, which right~~  
21 ~~shall be restored not later than upon completion of his~~  
22 ~~sentence.~~

23 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

1 SCHEDULE

2 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being  
3 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois  
4 Constitutional Amendment Act.