



**100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2017 and 2018**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**SC0014**

Introduced 5/5/2017, by Sen. Wm. Sam McCann

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. V, Sec. 1  
ILCON Art. V, Sec. 22 new  
ILCON Art. V, Sec. 3  
ILCON Art. V, Sec. 7

Proposes to amend the Executive Article of the Illinois Constitution. Expands the elected officers, and the qualifications for elected officers, of the Executive Branch to include the Director of Agriculture (currently, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller, and Treasurer). Provides for filling vacancies in the office of Director of Agriculture. Provides that the Director of Agriculture shall develop, promote, and regulate agriculture in the State, and shall have the duties and powers that may be prescribed by law. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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1                                   SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION  
2                                   CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL  
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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 the Illinois Constitution by  
9 changing Sections 1, 3, and 7 and adding Section 22 to Article  
10 V as follows:

11                                   ARTICLE V  
12                                   THE EXECUTIVE

13           (ILCON Art. V, Sec. 1)

14           SECTION 1. OFFICERS

15           The Executive Branch shall include a Governor, Lieutenant  
16 Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller,  
17 ~~and~~ Treasurer, and Director of Agriculture elected by the  
18 electors of the State. They shall keep the public records and  
19 maintain a residence at the seat of government during their  
20 terms of office.

21           (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

22           (ILCON Art. V, Sec. 3)

## 1 SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY

2 To be eligible to hold the office of Governor, Lieutenant  
3 Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller,  
4 ~~or~~ Treasurer, or Director of Agriculture, a person must be a  
5 United States citizen, at least 25 years old, and a resident of  
6 this State for the three years preceding his election.

7 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

8 (ILCON Art. V, Sec. 7)

## 9 SECTION 7. VACANCIES IN OTHER ELECTIVE OFFICES

10 If the Attorney General, Secretary of State, Comptroller,  
11 ~~or~~ Treasurer, or Director of Agriculture fails to qualify or if  
12 his office becomes vacant, the Governor shall fill the office  
13 by appointment. The appointee shall hold office until the  
14 elected officer qualifies or until a successor is elected and  
15 qualified as may be provided by law and shall not be subject to  
16 removal by the Governor. If the Lieutenant Governor fails to  
17 qualify or if his office becomes vacant, it shall remain vacant  
18 until the end of the term.

19 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

20 (ILCON Art. V, Sec. 22 new)

21 SECTION 22. DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE-DUTIES

22 The Director of Agriculture shall develop, promote, and  
23 regulate agriculture in the State, and shall have the duties  
24 and powers that may be prescribed by law.

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SCHEDULE

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This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being

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declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois

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Constitutional Amendment Act.