



**98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2013 and 2014**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**SC0055**

Introduced 2/14/2014, by Sen. Jason A. Barickman

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. VIII, Sec. 2

Proposes to amend the Finance Article of the Illinois Constitution. Provides for biennial budgets and appropriations. Defines a "fiscal biennium" as July 1 of each odd-numbered year though June 30 of the ensuing odd-numbered year. Effective upon being declared adopted.

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2                                   CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH 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 amend Section 2 of Article  
9 VIII of the Illinois Constitution as follows:

10                                   ARTICLE VIII  
11                                   FINANCE

12           (ILCON Art. VIII, Sec. 2)

13           SECTION 2. STATE FINANCE

14           (a) The Governor shall prepare and submit to the General  
15 Assembly, at a time prescribed by law, a State budget for the  
16 ensuing fiscal biennium ~~year~~. The budget shall set forth the  
17 estimated balance of funds available for appropriation at the  
18 beginning of the fiscal biennium ~~year~~, the estimated receipts,  
19 and a plan for expenditures and obligations during the fiscal  
20 biennium ~~year~~ of every department, authority, public  
21 corporation and quasi-public corporation of the State, every  
22 State college and university, and every other public agency  
23 created by the State, but not of units of local government or

1 school districts. The budget shall also set forth the  
2 indebtedness and contingent liabilities of the State and such  
3 other information as may be required by law. Proposed  
4 expenditures shall not exceed funds estimated to be available  
5 for the fiscal biennium ~~year~~ as shown in the budget.

6 (b) The General Assembly by law shall make appropriations  
7 for all expenditures of public funds by the State.  
8 Appropriations for a fiscal biennium ~~year~~ shall not exceed  
9 funds estimated by the General Assembly to be available during  
10 that biennium ~~year~~.

11 (c) The fiscal biennium shall commence on July 1 of each  
12 odd-numbered year and end on June 30 of the ensuing  
13 odd-numbered year.

14 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

15 SCHEDULE

16 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being  
17 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois  
18 Constitutional Amendment Act.