



94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2005 and 2006

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

SC0024

Introduced 2/24/2005, by Sen. Edward Petka

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

ILCON Art. III, Sec. 2

Proposes to amend the Suffrage and Elections Article of the Illinois Constitution concerning voter disqualification. Provides that a person civilly committed as a sexually dangerous person or as a sexually violent person shall lose the right to vote, which shall be restored not later than upon completion of his civil commitment. Effective upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION
2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH 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 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 DISQUALIFICATIONS

14 A person convicted of a felony, or otherwise under sentence
15 in a correctional institution or jail, or civilly committed as
16 a sexually dangerous person or as a sexually violent person,
17 shall lose the right to vote, which right shall be restored not
18 later than upon completion of his sentence or civil commitment.
19 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

20 SCHEDULE

21 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being
22 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois
23 Constitutional Amendment Act.