

AN ACT proposing to amend Sections 91, 93, and 95 of the Constitution of Kentucky relating to the Commissioner of Education.

***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

➔Section 1. It is proposed that Section 91 of the Constitution of Kentucky be amended to read as follows:

A Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Commissioner of Agriculture, Labor and Statistics, Secretary of State, **Commissioner of Education**, and Attorney-General, shall be elected by the qualified voters of the State at the same time the Governor and Lieutenant Governor are elected, for the term of four years, each of whom shall be at least thirty years of age at the time of his **or her** election, and shall have been a resident citizen of the State at least two years next before his **or her** election. The duties of all these officers shall be such as may be prescribed by law, and the Secretary of State shall keep a fair register of and attest all the official acts of the Governor, and shall, when required, lay the same and all papers, minutes and vouchers relative thereto before either House of the General Assembly. The officers named in this section shall enter upon the discharge of their duties the first Monday in January after their election, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. **In certification of candidates for Commissioner of Education, no reference shall be made to political affiliation.**

➔Section 2. It is proposed that Section 93 of the Constitution of Kentucky be amended to read as follows:

The Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Secretary of State, Commissioner of Agriculture, Labor and Statistics, **Commissioner of Education**, and Attorney General shall be ineligible to reelection for the succeeding four years after the expiration of any second consecutive term for which they shall have been elected. The duties and responsibilities of these officers shall be prescribed by law, and all fees collected by any of said officers shall be covered into the treasury. Inferior State officers and members of boards and commissions, not specifically provided for in this Constitution, may be

appointed or elected, in such manner as may be prescribed by law, which may include a requirement of consent by the Senate, for a term not exceeding four years, and until their successors are appointed or elected and qualified.

➔Section 3. It is proposed that Section 95 of the Constitution of Kentucky be amended to read as follows:

The election under this Constitution for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and Commissioner of Agriculture, Labor and Statistics, ***and Commissioner of Education*** shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, and the same day every four years thereafter.

➔Section 4. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under KRS 118.415. The question on the ballot shall read as follows: "Are you in favor of electing the Commissioner of Education in a nonpartisan statewide election?"