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AN ACT proposing to amend Sections 53, 91, 93, 95, and 245 of the Constitution
 of Kentucky relating to the Treasurer.

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

4 → Section 1. Are you in favor of amending Sections 53, 91, 93, 95, and 245 of the
5 Constitution of Kentucky to abolish the office of State Treasurer, as stated below?

6 → Section 2. It is proposed that Section 53 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
7 amended to read as follows:

8 The General Assembly shall provide by law for monthly investigations into the 9 accounts of the <u>State Treasury</u>[Treasurer] and Auditor of Public Accounts, and the result 10 of these investigations shall be reported to the Governor, and these reports shall be 11 semiannually published in two newspapers of general circulation in the State. The reports 12 received by the Governor shall, at the beginning of each session, be transmitted by him <u>or</u> 13 <u>her</u> to the General Assembly for scrutiny and appropriate action.

14 → Section 3. It is proposed that Section 91 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
15 amended to read as follows:

16 An[A Treasurer,] Auditor of Public Accounts, Commissioner of Agriculture, Labor 17 and Statistics, Secretary of State, and Attorney-General, shall be elected by the qualified 18 voters of the State at the same time the Governor and Lieutenant Governor are elected, 19 for the term of four years, each of whom shall be at least thirty years of age at the time of 20 his or her election, and shall have been a resident citizen of the State at least two years 21 next before his *or her* election. The duties of all these officers shall be such as may be 22 prescribed by law, and the Secretary of State shall keep a fair register of and attest all the 23 official acts of the Governor, and shall, when required, lay the same and all papers, 24 minutes and vouchers relative thereto before either House of the General Assembly. The 25 officers named in this section shall enter upon the discharge of their duties the first 26 Monday in January after their election, and shall hold their offices until their successors 27 are elected and qualified.

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Section 4. It is proposed that Section 93 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
 amended to read as follows:

3 The[Treasurer,] Auditor of Public Accounts, Secretary of State, Commissioner of 4 Agriculture, Labor and Statistics, and Attorney General shall be ineligible to reelection 5 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 6 7 be prescribed by law, and all fees collected by any of said officers shall be covered into 8 the treasury. Inferior State officers and members of boards and commissions, not 9 specifically provided for in this Constitution, may be appointed or elected, in such 10 manner as may be prescribed by law, which may include a requirement of consent by the 11 Senate, for a term not exceeding four years, and until their successors are appointed or 12 elected and qualified.

13 → Section 5. It is proposed that Section 95 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
14 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, 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.

20 → Section 6. It is proposed that Section 245 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
21 amended to read as follows:

Upon the promulgation of this Constitution, the Governor shall appoint three persons, learned in the law, who shall be Commissioners to revise the statute laws of this Commonwealth, and prepare amendments thereto, to the end that the statute laws shall conform to and effectuate this Constitution. Such revision and amendments shall be laid before the next General Assembly for adoption or rejection, in whole or in part. The said Commissioners shall be allowed ten dollars each per day for their services, and also

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necessary stationery for the time during which they are actually employed; and upon their
certificate the Auditor shall draw his *or her* warrant upon the *State Treasury*[Treasurer].
They shall have the power to employ clerical assistants, at a compensation not exceeding
ten dollars per day in the aggregate. If the Commissioners, or any of them, shall refuse to
act, or a vacancy shall occur, the Governor shall appoint another or others in his<u>, her</u>, or
their place.

7 → Section 7. These amendments shall be submitted to the voters of the
8 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided
9 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution, KRS 118.415, and Sections 8 and 9
10 of this Act.

11 \Rightarrow Section 8. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the 12 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act and the 13 entirety of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in 14 Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of this Act to be published at least one time in a newspaper of 15 general circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be published at the same time and in the same manner the fact that the amendments will be submitted to the voters 16 17 for their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at which members of the 18 General Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by this section and KRS 19 118.415 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August preceding the election at 20 which the amendments are to be voted on.

Section 9. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice President and Vice President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this

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1 Act and the entirety of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of Kentucky 2 contained in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of this Act to the county clerk of each county, and 3 the county clerk shall have the entirety of the question and the amendments, as so 4 certified, indicated on the ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as 5 applicable to the voting machines in use in each county or precinct.