

**By** the Committee on Executive and Commissioner Riley

6 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission  
7 that:

9                   Section 1. Section 4 of Article IV of the Florida  
10 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:

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## 13 SECTION 4. Cabinet.--

20 (b) The secretary of state shall keep the records of  
21 the official acts of the legislative and executive  
22 departments.

23 (c) The attorney general shall be the chief state  
24 legal officer. There is created in the office of the attorney  
25 general the position of statewide prosecutor. The statewide  
26 prosecutor shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the state  
27 attorneys to prosecute violations of criminal laws occurring  
28 or having occurred, in two or more judicial circuits as part  
29 of a related transaction, or when any such offense is  
30 affecting or has affected two or more judicial circuits as  
31 provided by general law. The statewide prosecutor shall be

1 appointed by the attorney general from not less than three  
2 persons nominated by the judicial nominating commission for  
3 the supreme court, or as otherwise provided by general law.

4 (d) The comptroller shall serve as the chief fiscal  
5 officer of the state, and shall settle and approve accounts  
6 against the state.

7 (e) The treasurer shall keep all state funds and  
8 securities. He shall disburse state funds only upon the order  
9 of the comptroller. Such order may be in any form and may  
10 require the disbursement of state funds by electronic means or  
11 by means of a magnetic tape or any other transfer medium.

12 (f) The commissioner of agriculture shall have  
13 supervision of matters pertaining to agriculture except as  
14 otherwise provided by law.

15 (g) The commissioner of education shall be appointed  
16 by the governor and shall supervise the public education  
17 system in the manner prescribed by law.

18 Section 2. Section 5 of Article IV of the Florida  
19 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:

20 SECTION 5. Election of governor, lieutenant governor  
21 and other state officers ~~cabinet members~~; qualifications;  
22 terms.--

23 (a) At a state-wide general election in each calendar  
24 year the number of which is even but not a multiple of four,  
25 the electors shall choose a governor~~and~~ a lieutenant  
26 governor, a secretary of state, an attorney general, a  
27 comptroller, a treasurer, and a commissioner of agriculture  
28 ~~and members of the cabinet~~ each for a term of four years  
29 beginning on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in  
30 January of the succeeding year. In the general election and  
31 in party primaries, if held, all candidates for the offices of

1 governor and lieutenant governor shall form joint candidacies  
2 in a manner prescribed by law so that each voter shall cast a  
3 single vote for a candidate for governor and a candidate for  
4 lieutenant governor running together.

5 (b) When elected, the governor and lieutenant  
6 governor and each elected cabinet member must be an elector  
7 not less than thirty years of age who has resided in the state  
8 for the preceding seven years. The attorney general must have  
9 been a member of the bar of Florida for the preceding five  
10 years. No person who has, or but for resignation would have,  
11 served as governor or acting governor for more than six years  
12 in two consecutive terms shall be elected governor for the  
13 succeeding term.

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