<u>Present constitution</u> provides that property sold at a tax sale is redeemable for three years after the sale by paying the price given, plus costs, a 5% penalty, and interest at 1% per month until redemption.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that in the city of New Orleans, abandoned or blighted property shall be redeemable for 18 months after the date of recordation of the tax sale.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> retains <u>present constitution</u> but adds a provision that in parishes other than Orleans, vacant residential or commercial property which is blighted or abandoned as defined in <u>present law</u>, shall be redeemable for 18 months after recordation of the tax sale by payment as provided in <u>present constitution</u>.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 4, 2014.

Effective Jan. 1, 2015.

(Adds Const. Art. VII, §25(B)(3))