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IN SENATE

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 4 of the constitution, in relation to increasing the term of office for governor and limiting the governor to one term in office

Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That section 1 of article 4 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

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16 17 Section 1. The executive power shall be vested in the governor, who shall hold office for [four] SIX years; the lieutenant-governor shall be chosen at the same time, and for the same term. The governor and lieutenant-governor shall be chosen at the general election held in the year nineteen hundred thirty-eight, and each fourth year thereafter. They shall be chosen jointly, by the casting by each voter of a single vote applicable to both offices, and the legislature by law shall provide for making such choice in such manner. The respective persons having the highest number of votes cast jointly for them for governor and lieutenant-governor respectively shall be elected. NO PERSON SHALL HOLD THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR FOR MORE THAN ONE TERM.

- S 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the provisions of the foregoing amendments shall apply only to terms of offices commencing after such amendments shall have been adopted pursuant to section 1 of article 19 of the constitution.
- 18 S 3. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendments 19 be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the 20 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in 21 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be 22 published for three months previous to the time of such election.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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