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Introduced by M. of A. LALOR -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 2 of article 3 of the constitution, in relation to increasing the terms of office of members of the senate and limiting the terms of office of members of the legislature

Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That section 2 of article 3 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

S 2. The senate shall consist of fifty members, except as hereinafter provided. The senators [elected in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five shall hold their offices for three years, and their successors] shall be [chosen] ELECTED for TERMS OF two years; PROVIDED, THAT SENATORS ELECTED IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN AND IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS SHALL HOLD THEIR OFFICES FOR FOUR YEARS. The assembly shall consist of one hundred and fifty members. The assembly members elected in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, and their successors, shall be [chosen] ELECTED for two years.

NO PERSON ELECTED IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND FOURTEEN AND IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS SHALL SERVE IN THE SENATE FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS OR IN THE ASSEMBLY FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS; NOR SHALL A PERSON SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR MORE THAN A TOTAL OF SIXTEEN YEARS, WHETHER SUCH SERVICE IS AS A SENATOR, ASSEMBLY MEMBER, OR CONSECUTIVE TERMS AS A SENATOR AND AN ASSEMBLY MEMBER, UNLESS THEY ARE SERVING A TERM TO WHICH THEY WERE ELECTED BEFORE THE COMPLETION OF THE SIXTEENTH YEAR.

S 2. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the provisions of the foregoing amendments shall apply only to terms of office commencing after such amendments shall have been adopted pursuant to section 1 of article 19 of the constitution.

S 3. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the foregoing amendments be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and in conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be published 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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