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January 9, 2013

Introduced by Sens. AVELLA, KRUEGER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Judiciary -- recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged and said bill committed to the Committee on Rules -- ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

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 legislature to four years

1 Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That section 2 of arti-
2 cle 3 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:
3 S 2. The senate shall consist of fifty members, except as hereinafter
4 provided. The senators [elected in the year one thousand eight hundred
5 and ninety-five shall hold their offices for three years, and their
6 successors] shall be [chosen] ELECTED for TERMS OF two years; PROVIDED,
7 THAT SENATORS ELECTED IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN AND IN SUBSEQUENT
8 YEARS THEREAFTER SHALL HOLD THEIR OFFICES FOR FOUR YEARS; PROVIDED,
9 FURTHER, THAT IN ALL LEGISLATIVE TERMS THAT COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW-
10 ING A DECENNIAL CENSUS YEAR, THE TERM SHALL BE TWO YEARS. The assembly
11 shall consist of one hundred and fifty members. The assembly members
12 [elected in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, and
13 their successors,] shall be [chosen] ELECTED for TERMS OF two years;
14 PROVIDED, THAT ASSEMBLY MEMBERS ELECTED IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN
15 AND IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS THEREAFTER SHALL HOLD THEIR OFFICES FOR FOUR
16 YEARS; PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT IN ALL LEGISLATIVE TERMS THAT COMMENCE
17 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING A DECENNIAL CENSUS YEAR, THE TERM SHALL BE TWO
18 YEARS.
19 S 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the provisions of the
20 foregoing amendments shall apply only to terms of office commencing

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

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1 after such amendments shall have been adopted pursuant to section 1 of
2 article 19 of the constitution.

3 S 3. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendments
4 be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the
5 next succeeding general election of the members of the assembly, and, in
6 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be
7 published for three months previous to the time of such election.