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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 2 of article 3 of the constitution, in relation to increasing the length of the term of office and imposing term limits for members of the legislature

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 EIGHTEEN AND IN SUBSE-
8 QUENT YEARS SHALL HOLD THEIR OFFICES FOR FOUR YEARS. The assembly shall
9 consist of one hundred and fifty members. The assembly members [elected
10 in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, and their
11 successors,] shall be [chosen] ELECTED for TERMS OF two years; PROVIDED,
12 THAT ASSEMBLY MEMBERS ELECTED IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND EIGHTEEN AND IN
13 SUBSEQUENT YEARS SHALL HOLD THEIR OFFICES FOR FOUR YEARS.

14 NO PERSON ELECTED TO OFFICE IN THE SENATE IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND
15 EIGHTEEN AND IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS SHALL SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE SENATE
16 FOR MORE THAN THREE CONSECUTIVE FOUR YEAR TERMS. NO PERSON ELECTED TO
17 OFFICE IN THE ASSEMBLY IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND EIGHTEEN AND IN SUBSE-
18 QUENT YEARS SHALL SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY FOR MORE THAN THREE
19 CONSECUTIVE FOUR YEAR TERMS. ANY PARTIAL TERM OF OFFICE HELD AS A MEMBER
20 OF THE LEGISLATURE PRIOR TO THE ELECTION TO A CONSECUTIVE FOUR YEAR TERM
21 SHALL NOT BE USED TO CALCULATE ANY TERM LIMITATION IMPOSED PURSUANT TO
22 THIS PARAGRAPH.

23 S 2. RESOLVED (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendments
24 be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the
25 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in
26 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be
27 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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