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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 terms of office of members of the legislature to four years

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

2 § 2. The senate shall consist of fifty members, except as hereinafter
3 provided. The senators [~~elected in the year one thousand eight hundred~~
4 ~~and ninety five shall hold their offices for three years, and their~~
5 ~~successors~~] shall be [~~chosen~~] elected for terms of two years; provided,
6 that senators elected in the year two thousand twenty-six and in subse-
7 quent years shall hold their offices for four years. The assembly shall
8 consist of one hundred and fifty members. The assembly members [~~elected~~
9 ~~in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight, and their~~
10 ~~successors,~~] shall be [~~chosen~~] elected for terms of two years; provided,
11 that assembly members elected in the year two thousand twenty-six and in
12 subsequent years shall hold their offices for four years.

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14 § 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendment
15 be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the
16 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in
17 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be
18 published for 3 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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