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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION YY

April 16, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Lemmons and referred to the Committee on Ethics and Elections.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 2 of article VI, to modify the nomination process for incumbent justices of the supreme court.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to modify the nomination process for incumbent justices of the supreme court, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE VI

Sec. 2. The supreme court shall consist of seven justices

NOMINATED AND elected at non-partisan elections as provided by law.

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- 1 The term of office shall be eight years and not more than two terms
- 2 of office shall expire at the same time. Nominations for justices
- 3 of the supreme court shall be in the manner prescribed by law. Any
- 4 incumbent justice whose term is to expire may become a candidate
- 5 for re-election by filing an affidavit of candidacy, in the form
- 6 and manner prescribed by law, not less than 180 days prior to the
- 7 expiration of his term 134 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE PRIMARY
- 8 ELECTION.
- 9 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
- 10 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
- 11 in the manner provided by law.