



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION S

October 12, 1995, Introduced by Senator STILLE and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 54 of article IV and section 30 of article V and adding section 35 to article VII and section 10 to article VIII, to provide term limits for certain state and local offices.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to provide term limits for certain state and local offices, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 54. No person shall ~~be elected to~~ HOLD the office of state representative more than ~~three times~~ TWELVE YEARS. No person shall ~~be elected to~~ HOLD the office of state ~~senate~~ SENATOR more than ~~two times~~ TWELVE YEARS. ~~Any person~~

1 ~~appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the house of~~
2 ~~representatives or the state senate for a period greater than one~~
3 ~~half of a term of such office, shall be considered to have been~~
4 ~~elected to serve one time in that office for purposes of this~~
5 ~~section.~~ This limitation on the number of ~~times~~ YEARS a person
6 ~~shall be elected to~~ MAY HOLD office shall apply to terms of
7 office beginning on or after January 1, 1993.

8 This section shall be self-executing. Legislation may be
9 enacted to facilitate operation of this section, but no law shall
10 limit or restrict the application of this section. If any part
11 of this section is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the
12 remaining parts of this section shall not be affected but will
13 remain in full force and effect.

14 ARTICLE V

15 Sec. 30. No person shall ~~be elected more than two times~~
16 ~~to~~ HOLD FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS each office of the executive
17 branch of government: governor, lieutenant governor, secretary
18 of state, or attorney general. ~~Any person appointed or elected~~
19 ~~to fill a vacancy in the office of governor, lieutenant governor,~~
20 ~~secretary of state or attorney general for a period greater than~~
21 ~~one half of a term of such office, shall be considered to have~~
22 ~~been elected to serve one time in that office for purposes of~~
23 ~~this section.~~ This limitation on the number of ~~times a person~~
24 ~~shall be elected to~~ YEARS A PERSON MAY HOLD office shall apply
25 to terms of office beginning on or after January 1, 1993.

26 This section shall be self-executing. Legislation may be
27 enacted to facilitate operation of this section, but no law shall

1 limit or restrict the application of this section. If any part
2 of this section is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the
3 remaining parts of this section shall not be affected but will
4 remain in full force and effect.

5 ARTICLE VII

6 SEC. 35. NO PERSON SHALL HOLD FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS
7 ANY ELECTIVE OFFICE OF COUNTY, TOWNSHIP, CITY, OR VILLAGE
8 GOVERNMENT. THIS LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF YEARS A PERSON MAY
9 HOLD ANY ELECTIVE OFFICE OF COUNTY, TOWNSHIP, CITY, OR VILLAGE
10 GOVERNMENT SHALL APPLY TO TERMS OF OFFICE BEGINNING ON OR AFTER
11 JANUARY 1, 1996.

12 THIS SECTION SHALL BE SELF-EXECUTING. LEGISLATION MAY BE
13 ENACTED TO FACILITATE OPERATION OF THIS SECTION, BUT NO LAW SHALL
14 LIMIT OR RESTRICT THE APPLICATION OF THIS SECTION. IF ANY PART
15 OF THIS SECTION IS HELD TO BE INVALID OR UNCONSTITUTIONAL, THE
16 REMAINING PARTS OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BUT WILL
17 REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

18 ARTICLE VIII

19 SEC. 10. NO PERSON SHALL HOLD FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS
20 THE OFFICE OF LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER. NO PERSON SHALL HOLD
21 FOR MORE THAN TWELVE YEARS THE OFFICE OF INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
22 BOARD MEMBER. THIS LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF YEARS A PERSON
23 MAY HOLD THE OFFICE OF LOCAL OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
24 SHALL APPLY TO TERMS OF OFFICE BEGINNING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1,
25 1996.

26 THIS SECTION SHALL BE SELF-EXECUTING. LEGISLATION MAY BE
27 ENACTED TO FACILITATE OPERATION OF THIS SECTION, BUT NO LAW SHALL

1 LIMIT OR RESTRICT THE APPLICATION OF THIS SECTION. IF ANY PART
2 OF THIS SECTION IS HELD TO BE INVALID OR UNCONSTITUTIONAL, THE
3 REMAINING PARTS OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BUT WILL
4 REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

5 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be sub-
6 mitted to the people of the state at the next general election in
7 the manner provided by law.