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**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:  
12-YEAR TERM LIMITS FOR  
STATE OFFICERS**

**House Joint Resolution Q  
Sponsor: Rep. Jack Minore  
Committee: Constitutional Law and Ethics**

**Complete to 8-15-00**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Q AS INTRODUCED 5-10-00**

Beginning January 1, 1993, a state representative can serve for no more than two two-year terms, while state senators, the governor, the lieutenant governor, the secretary of state, and the attorney general can serve for up to two four-year terms. Anyone appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in a state elective office is considered to have been elected to serve one time in that office for the purposes of term limits.

The resolution would amend the state constitution to increase the number of years that may be served by any state officer – state representative, state senator, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, or attorney general – to 12 years (or six terms for state representatives and three terms for each of the state officers who serve four-year terms).

The constitutional amendment would be submitted to a vote by the people of the state at the next general election.

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