

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Q

April 30, 2015, Introduced by Rep. Smiley and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by repealing section 54 of article IV and section 30 of article V, to repeal term limits for legislators, the governor, the lieutenant governor, the secretary of state, and the attorney general.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to repeal term limits for legislators, the governor, the lieutenant governor, the secretary of state, and the attorney general, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

~~Sec. 54. No person shall be elected to the office of state~~

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1 ~~representative more than three times. No person shall be elected to~~
2 ~~the office of state senate more than two times. Any person~~
3 ~~appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the house of~~
4 ~~representatives or the state senate for a period greater than one~~
5 ~~half of a term of such office, shall be considered to have been~~
6 ~~elected to serve one time in that office for purposes of this~~
7 ~~section. This limitation on the number of times a person shall be~~
8 ~~elected to office shall apply to terms of office beginning on or~~
9 ~~after January 1, 1993.~~

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

16 ARTICLE V

17 ~~—— Sec. 30. No person shall be elected more than two times to~~
18 ~~each office of the executive branch of government: governor,~~
19 ~~lieutenant governor, secretary of state or attorney general. Any~~
20 ~~person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the office of~~
21 ~~governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state or attorney~~
22 ~~general for a period greater than one half of a term of such~~
23 ~~office, shall be considered to have been elected to serve one time~~
24 ~~in that office for purposes of this section. This limitation on the~~
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6 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
7 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
8 in the manner provided by law.