

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION P

June 25, 2020, Introduced by Senator HOLLIER and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 2 and 54 of article IV, to modify length of and limits to terms for certain elected state 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 modify length of and limits to terms for certain elected state offices, is proposed, agreed to, and

submitted to the people of the state:

1 ARTICLE IV

2 Sec. 2. The senate shall consist of 38 members to be elected
 3 from single member districts. ~~at the same election as the governor~~
 4 ~~for four-year terms concurrent with the term of office of the~~
 5 ~~governor.~~ **For the November 2022 general election, the secretary of**
 6 **state shall, by random selection, designate 13 senate districts for**
 7 **which each member will serve a two-year term, 13 senate districts**
 8 **for which each member will serve a four-year term, and 12 senate**
 9 **districts for which each member will serve a six-year term. For the**
 10 **November 2024 general election and every general election**
 11 **thereafter, each member elected to the senate shall be elected to**
 12 **serve a six-year term.**

13 Sec. 54. ~~No~~ **A** person shall be elected to the office of ~~not~~
 14 **serve as a** state representative more than three times. ~~No person~~
 15 ~~shall be elected to the office of state senate more than two times.~~
 16 **or a state senator for a combined total of more than 24 years.** Any
 17 person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the house of
 18 representatives or the state senate for ~~a period greater than one~~
 19 ~~half of a term of such office,~~ **an entire calendar year** shall be
 20 considered to have been elected to serve one time in that office
 21 **served the entire calendar year** for purposes of this section. This
 22 limitation on the number of ~~times~~ **years** a person shall be elected
 23 ~~to~~ **may serve in** office shall apply to terms of office beginning on
 24 or after January 1, 1993. **A person is not eligible to serve as a**
 25 **state representative or state senator unless that person is**
 26 **eligible to serve the entire term of that office under this**
 27 **section.**

28 This section shall be self-executing. Legislation may be

1 enacted to facilitate operation of this section, but no law shall
2 limit or restrict the application of this section. If any part of
3 this section is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the
4 remaining parts of this section shall not be affected but will
5 remain in full force and effect.

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.