

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION O

December 1, 1999, Introduced by Senator SCHWARZ and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 5 of article VIII, to provide for gubernatorial appointment of the governing boards of the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and Wayne State University and to limit the number of appointments of a governing board member.

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 for gubernatorial appointment of the governing boards of the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, and Wayne State University and to limit the number of appointments of a governing board member, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE VIII

Sec. 5. The regents of the University of Michigan and their successors in office shall constitute a body corporate known as the Regents of the University of Michigan; the trustees of Michigan State University and their successors in office shall constitute a body corporate known as the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University; the governors of Wayne State University and their successors in office shall constitute a body corporate known as the Board of Governors of Wayne State University. Each board shall have general supervision of its institution and the control and direction of all expenditures from the institution's funds. Each board shall, as often as necessary, elect a president of the institution under its supervision. ~~He~~ THE PRESIDENT shall be the principal executive officer of the institution, be ex-officio a member of the board without the right to vote and preside at meetings of the board. The board of each institution shall consist of eight members who shall hold office for terms of eight years. ~~and who shall be elected as provided by law.~~ BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR BY AND WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE. The governor shall fill board vacancies by appointment. Each appointee shall hold office until a successor has been ~~nominated and elected~~ APPOINTED as provided ~~by law~~ UNDER THIS SECTION. NOT MORE THAN FIVE BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE SAME POLITICAL PARTY AS THE GOVERNOR AND NOT FEWER THAN THREE BOARD MEMBERS SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE POLITICAL PARTY WHOSE CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR RECEIVED THE SECOND HIGHEST VOTE AT THE LAST GENERAL

1 ELECTION AT WHICH A GOVERNOR WAS ELECTED. NO PERSON SHALL BE
2 APPOINTED AS A BOARD MEMBER MORE THAN TWO TIMES.

3 A MEMBER OF A BOARD WHO WAS ELECTED TO THE BOARD AS PROVIDED
4 BY LAW AND WHO IS SERVING IN THAT OFFICE ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
5 THE AMENDMENTS TO THIS SECTION SHALL CONTINUE TO HOLD OFFICE FOR
6 THE BALANCE OF THE MEMBER'S UNEXPIRED TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR
7 IS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

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