

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION R

February 3, 2000, Introduced by Senator JAYE and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 22 of article VII and adding section 31 to article VI and sections 35 and 36 to article VII, to provide for limitations on the terms of office for judicial offices and county, township, city, and village 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 for limitations on the terms of office for judicial offices and county, township, city, and village offices, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE VI

SEC. 31. A PERSON SHALL NOT BE ELECTED TO THE SAME JUDICIAL OFFICE MORE THAN TWO TIMES. THIS LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF

1 TIMES A PERSON MAY BE ELECTED TO OFFICE APPLIES TO TERMS OF
2 OFFICE BEGINNING AFTER JANUARY 1, 2001.

3 THIS SECTION IS SELF-EXECUTING. LEGISLATION MAY BE ENACTED
4 TO FACILITATE OPERATION OF THIS SECTION, BUT NO LAW SHALL LIMIT
5 OR RESTRICT THE APPLICATION OF THIS SECTION. IF ANY PART OF THIS
6 SECTION IS HELD TO BE INVALID OR UNCONSTITUTIONAL, THE REMAINING
7 PARTS OF THIS SECTION ARE NOT AFFECTED BUT REMAIN IN FULL FORCE
8 AND EFFECT.

9 ARTICLE VII

10 Sec. 22. Under general laws the electors of each city and
11 village shall have the power and authority to frame, adopt and
12 amend its charter, and to amend an existing charter of the city
13 or village heretofore granted or enacted by the legislature for
14 the government of the city or village. Each such city and vil-
15 lage shall have power to adopt resolutions and ordinances relat-
16 ing to its municipal concerns, property and government, subject
17 to the constitution and law. No enumeration of powers granted to
18 cities and villages in this constitution shall limit or restrict
19 the general grant of authority conferred by this section, EXCEPT
20 THAT A PERSON SHALL NOT BE ELECTED TO THE SAME CITY OR VILLAGE
21 OFFICE MORE THAN THREE TIMES FOR AN OFFICE WITH A TWO-YEAR TERM
22 OR MORE THAN TWO TIMES FOR AN OFFICE WITH A FOUR-YEAR TERM. A
23 PERSON APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE SAME CITY OR
24 VILLAGE OFFICE FOR A PERIOD GREATER THAN ONE-HALF OF A TERM OF
25 THE OFFICE IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO SERVE ONE TIME
26 IN THAT OFFICE FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. THIS LIMITATION ON

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9 SEC. 35. A PERSON SHALL NOT BE ELECTED TO THE SAME COUNTY
10 OFFICE MORE THAN THREE TIMES FOR AN OFFICE WITH A TWO-YEAR TERM
11 OR MORE THAN TWO TIMES FOR AN OFFICE WITH A FOUR-YEAR TERM. A
12 PERSON APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE SAME COUNTY
13 OFFICE FOR A PERIOD GREATER THAN ONE-HALF OF A TERM OF OFFICE IS
14 CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO SERVE ONE TIME IN THAT OFFICE
15 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. THIS LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF
16 TIMES A PERSON MAY BE ELECTED TO OFFICE APPLIES TO TERMS OF
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22 PARTS OF THIS SECTION ARE NOT AFFECTED BUT REMAIN IN FULL FORCE
23 AND EFFECT.

24 SEC. 36. A PERSON SHALL NOT BE ELECTED TO THE SAME TOWNSHIP
25 OFFICE MORE THAN THREE TIMES FOR AN OFFICE WITH A TWO-YEAR TERM
26 OR MORE THAN TWO TIMES FOR AN OFFICE WITH A FOUR-YEAR TERM. A
27 PERSON APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN A TOWNSHIP

1 OFFICE FOR A PERIOD GREATER THAN ONE-HALF OF A TERM OF THE SAME
2 OFFICE IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO SERVE ONE TIME IN
3 THAT OFFICE FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION. THIS LIMITATION ON THE
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12 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be sub-
13 mitted to the people of the state at the next general election in
14 the manner provided by law.