

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION S

April 30, 2013, Introduced by Reps. Schor, Rogers, Denby, Outman, Hovey-Wright, Kandrevas, Irwin, Yonker, Muxlow, Callton, Kivela, Zemke, Darany, Townsend and Faris and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 54 of article IV and adding section 55 to article IV, to modify term limits for certain elected state offices and to prohibit a legislator from being a lobbyist or lobbyist agent for 2 years following his or her term of office.

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 term limits for certain elected state offices and to prohibit a legislator from being a lobbyist or lobbyist agent for 2 years following his or her term of office, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

ARTICLE IV

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1 Sec. 54. No person shall be elected to the office of state
2 representative more than ~~three~~**SIX** times. No person shall be
3 elected to the office of state senate more than ~~two~~**THREE** times.
4 Any person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the house of
5 representatives or the state senate for a period greater than one
6 half of a term of such office, shall be considered to have been
7 elected to serve one time in that office for purposes of this
8 section. This limitation on the number of times a person shall be
9 elected to office shall apply to terms of office beginning on or
10 after January 1, 1993.

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

17 **SEC. 55. A FORMER MEMBER OF THE MICHIGAN SENATE OR HOUSE OF**
18 **REPRESENTATIVES SHALL NOT BE A LOBBYIST OR LOBBYIST AGENT FOR TWO**
19 **YEARS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE END OF THE TERM OF OFFICE TO WHICH**
20 **HE OR SHE WAS ELECTED.**

21 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
22 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
23 in the manner provided by law.