

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION PP

December 11, 2018, Introduced by Rep. Chirkun 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, to modify term limits 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 term limits for certain elected state offices, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

## ARTICLE IV

Sec. 54. (1) ~~No~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2)**, A person shall **NOT** be elected to the office of state representative more than three times. ~~No~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2)**, A person shall **NOT** be elected to the office of state senate more than two times. Any person appointed or

1 elected to fill a vacancy in the house of representatives or the  
 2 state senate for a period greater than one half of a term of ~~such~~  
 3 ~~THAT~~ office, ~~shall be~~ **IS** considered to have been elected to serve  
 4 one time in that office for purposes of this section. ~~This~~ **EXCEPT**  
 5 **AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), THIS** limitation on the number of  
 6 times a person ~~shall~~ **MAY** be elected to office ~~shall apply~~ **APPLIES**  
 7 to terms of office beginning on or after January 1, 1993.

8       **(2) A PERSON FIRST SERVING AS A STATE REPRESENTATIVE OR STATE**  
 9 **SENATOR IN 2019 OR LATER MAY SERVE AS A STATE REPRESENTATIVE OR**  
 10 **STATE SENATOR FOR A COMBINED TOTAL OF NOT MORE THAN 20 YEARS. ANY**  
 11 **PERSON APPOINTED OR ELECTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE HOUSE OF**  
 12 **REPRESENTATIVES OR THE STATE SENATE WHO HOLDS OFFICE FOR NOT LESS**  
 13 **THAN SIX MONTHS WITHIN A CALENDAR YEAR IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE SERVED**  
 14 **THE ENTIRE CALENDAR YEAR FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION. A PERSON**  
 15 **IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO SERVE AS A STATE REPRESENTATIVE OR STATE SENATOR**  
 16 **UNLESS THAT PERSON IS ELIGIBLE TO SERVE THE ENTIRE TERM OF THAT**  
 17 **OFFICE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.**

18       **(3)** This section ~~shall be~~ **IS** self-executing. Legislation may  
 19 be enacted to facilitate operation of this section, but ~~no~~ **A** law  
 20 shall **NOT** limit or restrict the application of this section. If any  
 21 part of this section is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the  
 22 remaining parts of this section ~~shall~~ **ARE** not ~~be~~ affected but will  
 23 remain in full force and effect.

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