

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION R

June 21, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Calley and Elsenheimer 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 section 30 of article V, 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. No person **ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE PRIOR TO 2008** shall be elected to the office of state representative more than three times. **A PERSON FIRST ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE IN 2008 OR LATER SHALL NOT BE**

1 **ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE MORE THAN SIX TIMES.**  
2 No person **ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF STATE SENATE PRIOR TO 2008** shall  
3 be elected to the office of state senate more than two times. A  
4 **PERSON FIRST ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF STATE SENATE IN 2008 OR LATER**  
5 **SHALL NOT BE ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF STATE SENATE MORE THAN THREE**  
6 **TIMES.** Any person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the  
7 house of representatives or the state senate for a period greater  
8 than one half of a term of such office, shall be considered to have  
9 been elected to serve one time in that office for purposes of this  
10 section. This limitation on the number of times a person shall be  
11 elected to office shall apply to terms of office beginning on or  
12 after January 1, 1993.

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

19 ARTICLE V

20 Sec. 30. No person **ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR,**  
21 **LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF STATE, OR ATTORNEY GENERAL PRIOR**  
22 **TO 2008** shall be elected more than two times to each office of the  
23 executive branch of government: governor, lieutenant governor,  
24 secretary of state or attorney general. **A PERSON FIRST ELECTED TO**  
25 **THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF STATE, OR**  
26 **ATTORNEY GENERAL IN 2008 OR LATER SHALL NOT BE ELECTED MORE THAN**  
27 **THREE TIMES TO EACH OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT:**

1 **GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF STATE, OR ATTORNEY**

2 **GENERAL.** Any person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the  
3 office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state or  
4 attorney general for a period greater than one half of a term of  
5 such office, shall be considered to have been elected to serve one  
6 time in that office for purposes of this section. This limitation  
7 on the number of times a person shall be elected to office shall  
8 apply to terms of office beginning on or after January 1, 1993.

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

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