

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION Q

March 23, 2022, Introduced by Reps. Allor, Carra, Filler and Yancey and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 19 of article VI, to increase the age limitation criterion for judicial 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 increase the age limitation criterion for judicial office, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

- 1 ARTICLE VI
- 2 Sec. 19. (1) The supreme court, the court of appeals, the

1 circuit court, the probate court and other courts designated as  
2 such by the legislature shall be courts of record and each shall  
3 have a common seal. Justices and judges of courts of record must be  
4 persons who are licensed to practice law in this state.

5 (2) To be qualified to serve as a judge of a trial court, a  
6 judge of the court of appeals, or a justice of the supreme court, a  
7 person shall have been admitted to the practice of law for at least  
8 5 years. This subsection shall not apply to any judge or justice  
9 appointed or elected to judicial office prior to the date on which  
10 this subsection becomes part of the constitution.

11 (3) No person shall be elected or appointed to a judicial  
12 office after reaching the age of ~~70~~80 years.

13 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be  
14 submitted to the people of the state at a special election to be  
15 held at the same time as the August 2, 2022 regular primary  
16 election in the manner provided by law.