

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION E

February 25, 2021, Introduced by Senators RUNESTAD, BARRETT, BUMSTEAD and JOHNSON and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 13 and 26 of article IV, to provide for the end of the legislative session at certain times in certain years, and to provide rules for a bill to become a law during certain legislative sessions.

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 the end of the legislative

session at certain times in certain years, and to provide rules for a bill to become a law during certain legislative sessions, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

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2           Sec. 13. The legislature shall meet at the seat of government  
3 on the second Wednesday in January of each year at twelve o'clock  
4 noon. ~~Each~~**The regular session in an odd numbered year** shall  
5 adjourn without day, on a day determined by concurrent resolution,  
6 at twelve o'clock noon. **The regular session in an even numbered**  
7 **year shall adjourn without day on the Friday before the first**  
8 **Monday in November, unless the session is continued by concurrent**  
9 **resolution approved by 3/4 of the members elected to and serving in**  
10 **each house.** Any business, bill, or joint resolution pending at the  
11 final adjournment of a regular session held in an odd numbered year  
12 shall carry over with the same status to the next regular session.

13           Sec. 26. No bill shall be passed or become a law at any  
14 regular session of the legislature until it has been printed or  
15 reproduced and in the possession of each house for at least five  
16 days. Every bill shall be read three times in each house before the  
17 final passage thereof. ~~No~~**Except as otherwise provided in this**  
18 **section, no bill shall become a law without the concurrence of a**  
19 **majority of the members elected to and serving in each house. If a**  
20 **regular session in an even numbered year is continued under section**  
21 **13 by concurrent resolution to end on a day after the Friday before**  
22 **the first Monday in November, no bill shall become a law during the**  
23 **continuance of that regular session without the concurrence of 3/4**  
24 **of the members elected to and serving in each house.** On the final  
25 passage of bills, the votes and names of the members voting thereon  
26 shall be entered in the journal.

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