

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the Arkansas Constitution.

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT NO. 73, SECTION 2, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS TO LIMIT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF YEARS A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY SERVE.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

THAT the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the state for approval or rejection at the next general election for Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at the election adopt the amendment, the amendment shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Amendment 73 to the Constitution of Arkansas is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. Legislative Branch.

(a) The Arkansas House of Representatives shall consist of members to



be chosen every second year by the qualified electors of the several counties. ~~No member of the Arkansas House of Representatives may serve more than three such two year terms.~~

(b) The Arkansas Senate shall consist of members to be chosen every four (4) years by the qualified electors of the several districts. ~~No member of the Arkansas Senate may serve more than two such four year terms.~~

(c)(1)(A) A member of the General Assembly shall serve no more than fourteen (14) years.

(B) However, a member who completes his or her fourteenth year of office during a term of office for which he or she has been elected may serve until the completion of that term of office.

(2) The years of service in either the House of Representatives or the Senate, or both:

(A) Need not be served consecutively; and

(B) Shall be added together to determine the total number of years in office.

(3) A partial legislative term served as a result of a special election under Article 5, § 6, or a two-year term served as a result of apportionment shall not be included in calculating the total number of years served by a member of the General Assembly.

(4) This subsection shall not apply to an active member of the General Assembly who is serving in the House of Representatives or the Senate on the date this amendment is adopted.