

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that members of the Senate
2 shall serve four-year terms of office; to provide that members of the House of
3 Representatives shall be limited to serving six consecutive terms of office; to provide that
4 members of the Senate shall be limited to serving three consecutive terms of office; to
5 provide that no person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms as
6 Lieutenant Governor; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this
7 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article III, Section II of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph V as follows:

11 "Paragraph V. *Election and term of members.* (a) The members of the General Assembly
12 shall be elected by the qualified electors of their respective districts. Members of the
13 House of Representatives shall serve for a term of two years and shall serve until the time
14 fixed for the convening of the next General Assembly. Members of the Senate elected in
15 2024 and thereafter shall serve for a term of four years and shall serve until the time fixed
16 for the convening of the next General Assembly.

17 (b) The members of the ~~General Assembly in office on June 30, 1983,~~ shall serve out the
 18 ~~remainder of the terms to which elected~~ House of Representatives elected in 2024 and
 19 thereafter shall be limited to six consecutive terms of office in the House of
 20 Representatives, and the members of the Senate elected in 2024 and thereafter shall be
 21 limited to three consecutive terms of office in the Senate. Service in one house shall not
 22 be counted with regard to service in the other house. After being out of office for at least
 23 one year following six consecutive terms in the House of Representatives, a member shall
 24 again be eligible for service in the House of Representatives. After being out of office for
 25 at least one year following three consecutive terms in the Senate, a member shall again be
 26 eligible for service in the Senate.

27 (c) The ~~first~~ election for members of the General Assembly under this Constitution shall
 28 take place on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, ~~1984,~~ and subsequent
 29 ~~elections biennially on that day~~ in even-numbered years until the day of election is changed
 30 by law."

31 SECTION 2.

32 Article V, Section I of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph III as follows:

33 "Paragraph III. *Lieutenant Governor.* There shall be a Lieutenant Governor, who shall
 34 be elected at the same time, for the same term, and in the same manner as the Governor.
 35 Persons holding the office of Lieutenant Governor may succeed themselves for one
 36 four-year term of office. Persons who have held the office of Lieutenant Governor and
 37 have succeeded themselves shall not again be eligible to be elected to that office until
 38 after the expiration of four years from the conclusion of their term as Lieutenant
 39 Governor. The Lieutenant Governor shall be the President of the Senate and shall have
 40 such executive duties as prescribed by the Governor and as may be prescribed by law not
 41 inconsistent with the powers of the Governor or other provisions of this Constitution.

42 The compensation and allowances of the Lieutenant Governor shall be as provided by
43 law."

44 **SECTION 3.**

45 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
46 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
47 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

48 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that members
49 () NO of the Senate shall serve four-year terms of office; and that members of the
50 General Assembly and the Lieutenant Governor shall have term limits?"

51 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
52 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
53 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
54 become a part of the Constitution of this state.