

House Resolution 8

By: Representatives Scott of the 76th, Bruce of the 61st, Dreyer of the 59th, Thomas of the 56th, McClain of the 100th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the office of any state,
 2 county, or municipal elected official shall be declared vacant upon such elected official
 3 qualifying for certain other offices; to provide for the submission of this amendment for
 4 ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

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

8 "Paragraph V. *Vacancies created by elected officials qualifying for other office.* The
 9 office of any state, county, or municipal elected official shall be declared vacant upon such
 10 elected official qualifying, in a general primary or general election, or special primary or
 11 special election, for another state, county, or municipal elective office or qualifying for the
 12 House of Representatives or the Senate of the United States ~~if the term of the office for~~
 13 ~~which such official is qualifying for begins more than 30 days prior to the expiration of~~
 14 ~~such official's present term of office.~~ The vacancy created in any such office shall be filled
 15 as provided by this Constitution or any general or local law. This provision shall not apply
 16 to any elected official seeking or holding more than one elective office when the holding
 17 of such offices simultaneously is specifically authorized by law."

18 SECTION 2.

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

22 "() YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the
 23 () NO office of any state, county, or municipal elected official shall be declared
 24 vacant if such elected official qualifies in an election for another state,
 25 county, or municipal elective office?"

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