

## House Concurrent Resolution No. 5033

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

3-21

1 A PROPOSITION to amend section 2 of article 2 of the constitution of  
2 the state of Kansas; providing for consecutive term limits for senators  
3 and representatives.

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5 *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Kansas, two-thirds of the*  
6 *members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of*  
7 *Representatives and two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed)*  
8 *and qualified to the Senate concurring therein:*

9 Section 1. The following proposition to amend the constitution of  
10 the state of Kansas shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state  
11 for their approval or rejection: Section 2 of article 2 of the constitution of  
12 the state of Kansas is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 **"§ 2. Senators and representatives.** (a) The number of  
14 representatives and senators shall be regulated by law, but shall not  
15 exceed one hundred twenty-five representatives and forty senators.  
16 Representatives and senators shall be elected from single-member  
17 districts prescribed by law. Representatives shall be elected for ~~two~~  
18 ~~year~~ *two-year* terms. Senators shall be elected for ~~four year~~ *four-*  
19 *year* terms. The terms of representatives and senators shall  
20 commence on the second Monday of January of the year following  
21 election.

22 (b) (1) *From and after January 9, 2023, no individual shall be*  
23 *elected as a representative for more than four consecutive two-year*  
24 *terms.*

25 (2) *From and after January 9, 2023, no individual shall be elected*  
26 *as a senator for more than two consecutive four-year terms.*

27 (3) *For the purpose of computing the time period under either*  
28 *paragraph (1) or (2), no time spent serving as either a representative or*  
29 *senator prior to January 9, 2023, shall be counted.*

30 Sec. 2. The following statement shall be printed on the ballot with  
31 the amendment as a whole:

32 *"Explanatory statement.* This amendment would limit an  
33 individual's service as a state representative to four  
34 consecutive two-year terms and an individual's service as a  
35 state senator to two consecutive four-year terms starting on  
36 January 9, 2023. Any terms of service occurring prior to

1 January 9, 2023, and any nonconsecutive terms would not be  
2 subject to this limitation.

3 "A vote for this proposition would limit the service of an  
4 individual as a state representative to four consecutive two-  
5 year terms and the service of an individual as a state senator  
6 to two consecutive four-year terms starting on January 9,  
7 2023.

8 "A vote against this proposition would would retain the current  
9 constitutional provisions that impose no limitations on the  
10 number of terms an individual may serve as a representative  
11 or as a senator."

12 Sec. 3. This resolution, if approved by two-thirds of the members  
13 elected (or appointed) and qualified to the House of Representatives, and  
14 two-thirds of the members elected (or appointed) and qualified to the  
15 Senate shall be entered on the journals, together with the yeas and nays.  
16 The secretary of state shall cause this resolution to be published as  
17 provided by law and shall cause the proposed amendment to be submitted  
18 to the electors of the state at the general election in November in the year  
19 2022, unless a special election is called at a sooner date by concurrent  
20 resolution of the legislature, in which case it shall be submitted to the  
21 electors of the state at the special election.