

1 AN ACT proposing to create a new section of the Constitution of Kentucky relating  
2 to time in office for elected officials.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. Beginning with those persons elected in the regular election in  
5 November 2024, are you in favor of amending the Constitution of Kentucky to prohibit  
6 any elected official from serving more than twenty consecutive years in the same elected  
7 office, regardless of the number of terms permitted? If a person elected reaches twenty  
8 years in the middle of a term, he or she may finish that term, but once twenty years is  
9 attained, the official may only run again for that office if he or she is not a candidate for  
10 the following subsequent term. This proposed amendment to the Constitution of  
11 Kentucky is set forth in Section 2.

12 ➔SECTION 2. IT IS PROPOSED THAT A NEW SECTION BE ADDED TO  
13 THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

14 ***Beginning with those persons who receive a certificate of election for public***  
15 ***office following the regular election in November 2024, no elected official shall serve***  
16 ***more than twenty consecutive years in the same public office, regardless of the number***  
17 ***of terms permitted. If a person elected reaches twenty years in the middle of a term, he***  
18 ***or she may finish that term, but once twenty years is attained, the official may only run***  
19 ***again for that office if he or she is not a candidate for the following subsequent term.***

20 ➔Section 3. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the  
21 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided  
22 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution, KRS 118.415, and under Sections 4  
23 and 5 of this Act.

24 ➔Section 4. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the  
25 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act and the  
26 entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in Section  
27 2 of this Act to be published at least one time in a newspaper of general circulation

1 published in this state, and shall also cause to be published at the same time and in the  
2 same manner the fact that the amendment will be submitted to the voters for their  
3 acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at which members of the General  
4 Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by this section and KRS 118.415  
5 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August preceding the election at which the  
6 amendment is to be voted on.

7       ➔Section 5. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the  
8 Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August  
9 preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be  
10 chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the  
11 United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September  
12 preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice  
13 President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this  
14 Act and the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky  
15 contained in Section 2 of this Act to the county clerk of each county, and the county clerk  
16 shall have the entirety of the question and the amendment, as so certified, indicated on the  
17 ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as applicable to the voting  
18 machines in use in each county or precinct.