

1 AN ACT proposing an amendment to Sections 30, 31, and 32 of the Constitution of  
2 Kentucky relating to terms of members of the General Assembly.

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

4 ➔Section 1. It is proposed that Section 30 of the Constitution of Kentucky be  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Members of the House of Representatives and Senators shall be elected at the  
7 general election in even-numbered years for terms of ~~six~~[four] years for Senators and  
8 ~~four~~[two] years for members of the House of Representatives. The term of office of  
9 Representatives and Senators shall begin upon the first day of January of the year  
10 succeeding their election.

11 ➔Section 2. It is proposed that Section 31 of the Constitution of Kentucky be  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 (1) At the general election to be held in November, ~~2022~~[1984], and every  
14 ~~six~~[two] years thereafter, there shall be elected for ~~six~~[four] years one Senator in each  
15 ***even-numbered*** Senatorial District~~[in which the term of his predecessor in office will~~  
16 ~~then expire and in every Representative District one Representative for two years]~~. ***At the***  
17 ***general election to be held in November, 2024, and every six years thereafter, there***  
18 ***shall be elected for six years one Senator in each odd-numbered Senatorial District.***

19 (2) ***At the general election to be held in November, 2022, and every four years***  
20 ***thereafter, there shall be elected for four years one Representative in every***  
21 ***Representative District.***

22 ➔Section 3. It is proposed that Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky be  
23 amended to read as follows:

24 (1) No person shall be a Representative who, at the time of his election, is not a  
25 citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of twenty-four years, and who has not  
26 resided in this State two years next preceding his election, and the last year thereof in the  
27 county, town or city for which he may be chosen. No person shall be a Senator who, at

1 the time of his election, is not a citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of thirty  
2 years, and has not resided in this State six years next preceding his election, and the last  
3 year thereof in the district for which he may be chosen.

4 **(2) No person shall be elected to more than three consecutive terms of office as**  
5 **a member of the House of Representatives, or to more than two consecutive terms of**  
6 **office as a member of the Senate. Terms shall be considered consecutive unless**  
7 **separated by a period of four or more years for a member of the House of**  
8 **Representatives and by a period of six or more years for a member of the Senate. In**  
9 **determining the eligibility of an individual to hold an office as provided in this section,**  
10 **time served in an office in fulfillment of a partial term as a result of a special election**  
11 **to fill a vacancy shall not be considered. Any person who is elected to an office in a**  
12 **regularly scheduled election and resigns prior to the completion of the term for which**  
13 **he or she was elected shall be considered to have served the full term in the office.**

14 ➔Section 4. It is further proposed as a part of this amendment and as a schedule  
15 of transitional provisions, for the purposes of this amendment, and any other provisions  
16 of the Constitution of Kentucky notwithstanding:

17 (1) The candidates for Representative and Senator that receive a certificate of  
18 election for those elective offices following the regular election in November 2022 or  
19 thereafter shall be subject to the provisions of this proposed amendment. The provisions  
20 of this proposed amendment shall not apply to completed terms of office served prior to  
21 January 1, 2023.

22 (2) No candidate or office holder, other than those listed in subsection (1) of this  
23 section, shall have his or her term of office affected by this proposed amendment.

24 ➔Section 5. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the  
25 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided  
26 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under KRS 118.415. The question  
27 to be submitted to voters shall read as follows: "Are you in favor of electing Senators in

1 the Kentucky Senate to terms of six years and of electing Representatives in the Kentucky  
2 House of Representatives to terms of four years; and limiting a Senator to two  
3 consecutive terms in the Kentucky Senate, limiting a Representative to three consecutive  
4 terms in the Kentucky House of Representatives, and requiring a full term to elapse  
5 before a Senator is eligible to seek additional consecutive terms in the Senate or a  
6 Representative is eligible to seek additional consecutive terms in the House of  
7 Representatives, beginning with members elected after November 1, 2022?".