HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0005

Mandatory judicial retirement.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Zwonitzer, Dn., Baker and Stubson and Senator(s) Esquibel, F. and Von Flatern

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

- 1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming
- 2 Constitution to raise the mandatory retirement age for
- 3 supreme court justices and judges of other courts in
- 4 Wyoming.

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- 6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,
- 7 two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting
- 8 separately, concurring therein:

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- 10 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming
- 11 Constitution, Article 5, Section 5 is proposed for
- 12 submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the
- 13 next general election for approval or rejection to become
- 14 valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a
- 15 majority of the electors at the election:

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2 Article 5, Section 5. Retirement and compensation of 3 justices and judges.

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Subject to the further provisions of this section, the 5 legislature shall provide for the voluntary retirement and 6 compensation of justices and judges of the supreme court 7 8 and district courts, and may do so for any other courts, on 9 account of length of service, age and disability, and for 10 their reassignment to active duty where and when needed. 11 The office of every such justice and judge shall become 12 vacant when the incumbent reaches the age of seventy (70) 13 seventy-five (75) years., as the legislature may prescribe; 14 but, in the case of an incumbent whose term of office includes the effective date of this amendment, this 15 16 provision shall not prevent him from serving the remainder of said term nor be applicable to him before his period or 17 periods of judicial service shall have reached a total of 18 19 six (6) years. The legislature may also provide for 20 benefits for dependents of justices and judges.

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Section 2. That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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The adoption of this amendment would raise the current
mandatory retirement age to seventy-five (75) for Wyoming
supreme court justices and Wyoming judges.

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