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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 13

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

1 A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Iowa relating to the terms of office of
3 elected state officials.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Iowa is proposed for the election and terms
3 of state officers beginning with the general election in the
4 year nineteen hundred eighty-two (1982):

5 Section two (2) of Article four (IV) of the Constitution
6 of the State of Iowa, as amended by amendment number one (1)
7 of the Amendments of 1972 to the Constitution of the State
8 of Iowa, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

9 A person shall not be elected to the office of Governor
10 more than twice and a person who has held the office of
11 Governor or acted as Governor for more than two years of a
12 term to which some other person was elected Governor shall
13 not be elected to the office of Governor more than once.
14 This amendment shall not apply to the number of terms of
15 office previously served by any person holding the office
16 of Governor at the time this amendment becomes effective,
17 but shall apply to the number of terms any person holding
18 the office of Governor at the time this amendment becomes
19 effective is eligible to serve thereafter.

20 Section three (3) of Article four (IV) of the Constitution
21 of the State of Iowa, as amended by amendment one (1) of the
22 Amendments of 1972 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa,
23 is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

24 A person shall not be elected to the office of Lieutenant
25 Governor more than twice and a person who has held the office
26 of Lieutenant Governor or acted as Lieutenant Governor for
27 more than two years of a term to which some other person was
28 elected Lieutenant Governor shall not be elected to the office
29 of Lieutenant Governor more than once. This amendment shall
30 not apply to the number of terms of office previously served
31 by any person holding the office of Lieutenant Governor at
32 the time this amendment becomes effective, but shall apply
33 to the number of terms any person holding the office of
34 Lieutenant Governor at the time this amendment becomes
35 effective is eligible to serve thereafter.

1 Section twenty-two (22) of Article four (IV) of the
2 Constitution of the State of Iowa, as amended by amendment
3 one (1) of the Amendments of 1972 to the Constitution of the
4 State of Iowa, is amended by adding the following new
5 paragraphs:

6 A person shall not be elected to the office of Secretary
7 of State, Auditor of State or Treasurer of State more than
8 twice and a person who has held the office of Secretary of
9 State, Auditor of State or Treasurer of State or acted as
10 Secretary of State, Auditor of State or Treasurer of State
11 for more than two years of a term to which some other person
12 was elected Secretary of State, Auditor of State or Treasurer
13 of State shall not be elected to the office of Secretary of
14 State, Auditor of State or Treasurer of State more than once.

15 This amendment shall not apply to the number of terms of
16 office previously served by any person holding the offices
17 of Secretary of State, Auditor of State or Treasurer of State
18 at the time this amendment becomes effective, but shall apply
19 to the number of terms any person holding the office of
20 Secretary of State, Auditor of State or Treasurer of State
21 at the time this amendment becomes effective is eligible to
22 serve thereafter.

23 Section twelve (12) of Article five (V) of the Constitution
24 of the State of Iowa, as amended by amendment one (1) of the
25 Amendments of 1972 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa,
26 is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

27 A person shall not be elected to the office of Attorney
28 General more than twice and a person who has held the office
29 of Attorney General or acted as Attorney General for more
30 than two years of a term to which some other person was elected
31 Attorney General shall not be elected to the office of Attorney
32 General more than once. This amendment shall not apply to
33 the number of terms of office previously served by any person
34 holding the office of Attorney General at the time this
35 amendment becomes effective, but shall apply to the number

1 of terms any person holding the office of Attorney General
2 at the time this amendment becomes effective is eligible to
3 serve thereafter.

4 Sec. 2. The foregoing proposed amendments to the
5 Constitution of the State of Iowa are hereby referred to the
6 General Assembly to be chosen at the next general election
7 for members of the General Assembly, and the Secretary of
8 State is directed to cause the same to be published for three
9 consecutive months previous to the date of said election as
10 provided by law.

11 EXPLANATION

12 This joint resolution proposes a constitutional amendment
13 which would prohibit constitutional elected state officials
14 from serving more than two terms or ten years in their official
15 capacity. This proposed amendment does not effect the number
16 of terms a person may serve as secretary of agriculture.

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