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STATE GOVERNMENT

HOUSE FILE

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BY CORMACK and SUKUP

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act limiting the number of terms a person may serve as Iowa
 2 secretary of agriculture and providing applicability and
 3 effective date provisions.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 39.9, Code 1999, is amended by adding
2 the following new unnumbered paragraph:

3 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. A person shall not be elected
4 for a term as secretary of agriculture if the term would
5 result in more than a total of three four-year terms as
6 secretary of agriculture. If a person is elected or appointed
7 to serve a portion of a term to which some other person was
8 elected or appointed, the partial term shall not be included
9 in the terms of office.

10 Sec. 2. This Act takes effect upon ratification of an
11 amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa limiting to
12 three terms persons elected to the offices of governor,
13 lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state,
14 auditor of state, and treasurer of state, and as members of
15 the Iowa senate and limiting to six terms persons elected as
16 members of the Iowa house of representatives.

17 Sec. 3. This Act applies to terms of office beginning on
18 or after January 1 following the effective date of this Act.

19 EXPLANATION

20 This bill provides that a person elected to the office of
21 Iowa secretary of agriculture is limited to no more than three
22 terms. Partial terms to which some other person was elected
23 or appointed are not included in the number of terms.

24 The bill takes effect upon ratification of an amendment to
25 the Iowa Constitution limiting to three terms the terms of the
26 governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of
27 state, auditor of state, treasurer of state, and members of
28 the Iowa senate and limiting to six terms the terms of members
29 of the Iowa house of representatives. The bill applies to
30 terms of office beginning on or after January 1 following the
31 effective date of the bill.

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