

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

CHAPTER 267

U. S. CONSTITUTION. NORRIS "LAME DUCK" AMENDMENT

S. J. R. 4

A JOINT RESOLUTION and enactment ratifying a proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States of America, relating to the president and vice president of the said United States, and to the congress of said United States, and to the members of said congress.

WHEREAS, the seventy-second congress of the United States of America, duly assembled, on or about the third day of March, 1932, by a resolution duly concurred in by a constitutional majority of both houses of said congress, did submit to the legislatures of the several states of said United States for ratification a proposal to amend the constitution of the United States of America, and

WHEREAS, said resolution and proposed amendment is in words and figures as follows, to wit:

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States fixing the commencement of the terms of president and vice president and members of congress and fixing the time of the assembling of congress.

Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled (two-thirds of each house concurring therein), that the following amendment to the constitution be, and hereby is, proposed to the states, to become valid as a part of said constitution when ratified by the legislatures of the several states as provided in the constitution:

"ARTICLE —

1 "SECTION 1. The terms of the president and vice president shall
2 end at noon on the 20th day of January, and the terms of senators
3 and representatives at noon on the 3d day of January, of the years in
4 which such terms would have ended if this article had not been
5 ratified; and the terms of their successors shall then begin.

1 "SEC. 2. The congress shall assemble at least once in every year,
2 and such meeting shall begin at noon on the 3d day of January, unless
3 they shall by law appoint a different day.

1 "SEC. 3. If, at the time fixed for the beginning of the term of
2 the president, the president elect shall have died, the vice president
3 elect shall become president. If a president shall not have been chosen
4 before the time fixed for the beginning of his term, or if the president
5 elect shall have failed to qualify, then the vice president elect shall
6 act as president until a president shall have qualified; and the con-
7 gress may by law provide for the case wherein neither a president
8 elect nor a vice president elect shall have qualified, declaring who
9 shall then act as president, or the manner in which one who is to act

10 shall be selected, and such person shall act accordingly until a presi-
11 dent or vice president shall have qualified.

1 "SEC. 4. The congress may by law provide for the case of the
2 death of any of the persons from whom the house of representatives
3 may choose a president whenever the right of choice shall have de-
4 volved upon them, and for the case of the death of any of the persons
5 from whom the senate may choose a vice president whenever the right
6 of choice shall have devolved upon them.

1 "SEC. 5. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on the 15th day of
2 October following the ratification of this article.

1 "SEC. 6. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been
2 ratified as an amendment to the constitution by the legislatures of
3 three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date
4 of its submission."

Now, therefore,

Be it enacted and resolved by the general assembly of the state of Iowa that said proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States of America as set forth herein under sections one (1) to six (6), inclusive, of the said resolution of the said congress, is hereby ratified and consented to by the state of Iowa and by the general assembly thereof.

Be it further resolved and enacted that copies of this enactment and resolution, duly certified to by the governor of the state of Iowa and attested by the secretary of state of the state of Iowa, under the seal of the said state, be forthwith forwarded by said governor to the secretary of state of the United States, and to the presiding officers of each house of the congress of the United States.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4. Approved January 20, 1933.

CHAPTER 268

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. STATE CENSUS

S. J. R. 5

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to article three (III) of the constitution of the state of Iowa by repealing section thirty-three (33) relating to the state census.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That the constitution of Iowa be amended as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Amend article three (III) by repealing section thirty-
2 three (33) relating to the state census.

1 SEC. 2. Be it further resolved that the foregoing proposed amend-
2 ment be, and the same is hereby, referred to the general assembly
3 to be chosen at the next general election and that the secretary of
4 state cause the same to be published as provided by law.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 5.