

2020 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29

BY SENATOR HEWITT AND REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

CONGRESS. Memorializes Congress to call a convention to amend the constitution to establish term limits for members of the United States House of Representatives and Senate.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to call a convention pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States, to consider amending the constitution to establish term limits for members of the United States House of Representatives and Senate.

WHEREAS, the current lack of term limits grants an almost insurmountable advantage of power and money to congressional incumbents; and

WHEREAS, term limits ensure valuable turnover of legislators to prevent the entrenched influence of special interest groups and guarantee an influx of new thoughts and ideas; and

WHEREAS, congressional term limits would create a greater opportunity for veteran state and local legislators as well as citizens with real-world experience to represent their communities; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana citizens have already expressed support for the implementation of term limits through voting in favor of an amendment to the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, mandating that members of the Legislature of Louisiana serve no more than three terms; and

WHEREAS, some members of Louisiana's congressional delegation have already

pledged to cosponsor and vote for an amendment limiting members of the United States House of Representatives to three terms and members of the United States Senate to two terms.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States, the Legislature of Louisiana hereby applies to the Congress of the United States to call a convention to consider an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this application by the Legislature of Louisiana constitutes a continuing application pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States, until such time as two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made similar applications, and the convention herein applied for is convened.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the president of the United States, the secretary of the United States Senate, and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Matt DeVille.

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Applies to U.S. Congress to call a convention to amend the U.S. Constitution to establish limits on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and Senate.