



1 office that began on or after January 8, 1996, shall be elected to the House of  
2 Representatives for the succeeding term.

3 (2) Effective beginning January 8, 2024, no person who has been elected to  
4 serve as a member of the Senate for more than three and one-half terms in four  
5 consecutive terms, that service being during a term of office that began on or after  
6 January 11, 2016, shall be elected to the Senate for the succeeding term. Effective  
7 beginning January 8, 2024, no person who has been elected to serve as a member of  
8 the House of Representatives for more than three and one-half terms in four  
9 consecutive terms, that service being during a term of office that began on or after  
10 January 11, 2016, shall be elected to the House of Representatives for the succeeding  
11 term.

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13 Section 2. Be it further resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the  
14 members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of  
15 the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a  
16 proposal to repeal Article III, Section 4(E)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana effective  
17 January 8, 2024.

18 Section 3. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted  
19 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 8,  
20 2022.

21 Section 4. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election,  
22 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted  
23 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as  
24 follows:

25 Do you support an amendment to prohibit a person who has been elected to  
26 serve as a member of one house of the legislature for more than three and  
27 one-half terms in four consecutive terms, that service being during a term of  
28 office that began on or after January 11, 2016, from being elected to the same  
29 house of the legislature for the succeeding term and to repeal the existing

1                    limitation of two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms in the same  
 2                    house of legislature? (Effective January 8, 2024) (Amends Article III,  
 3                    Section 4(E); Repeals Article III, Section 4(E)(1))

DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Effective Jan. 8, 2024, changes the term limitation on legislators to three and one-half of four consecutive terms in the same house of the legislature, beginning with service on or after Jan. 11, 2016.

Present constitution prohibits a person who has been elected to serve as a member of the Senate for more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms, that service being during a term of office that began on or after Jan. 8, 1996, from being to the Senate for the succeeding term and prohibits a person who has been elected to serve as a member of the House of Representatives for more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms, that service being during a term of office that began on or after Jan. 8, 1996, from being elected to the House for the succeeding term.

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals these provisions effective Jan. 8, 2024.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides a new limitation effective Jan. 8, 2024, to prohibit a person who has been elected to serve as a member of the Senate for more than three and one-half terms in four consecutive terms, that service being during a term of office that began on or after Jan. 11, 2016, from being elected to the Senate for the succeeding term and prohibits a person who has been elected to serve as a member of the House of Representatives for more than three and one-half terms in four consecutive terms, that service being during a term of office that began on or after Jan. 11, 2016, from being elected to the House for the succeeding term.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 8, 2022.

(Amends Const. Art. III, §4(E); Repeals Const. Art. III, §4(E)(1))