

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 288

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

ASSESSORS: (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for term limits for tax assessors

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 24(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to tax assessors; to provide a limitation on the terms of tax assessors; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 24(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§24. Tax Assessors

Section 24.(A)(1) Election; Term. A tax assessor shall be elected by the electors of each parish. His term of office shall be four years. His election, duties, and compensation shall be as provided by law.

(2) No person who has been elected to serve as a tax assessor for more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms shall be elected assessor for the succeeding term. This Subparagraph shall not apply to any person who is serving as a tax assessor on the effective date of this Subparagraph, except that it shall apply to any term of service of any such person that begins after such date.

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1 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted
2 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 8,
3 2022.

4 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election,
5 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
6 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
7 follows:

8 Do you support an amendment to limit tax assessors to no more than two and
9 one-half terms in three consecutive terms in office?(Amends Article VII,
10 Section 24(A))

DIGEST

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Abstract: To limit tax assessors to no more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms in office.

Present constitution provides that each parish shall elect a tax assessor.

Present constitution further provides that the term of an elected tax assessor shall be four years.

Proposed constitutional amendment prohibits a person who has served as a tax assessor for more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms from being elected assessor for the succeeding term.

Proposed constitutional amendment further provides that proposed constitution applies to terms of service that begin after the effective date of proposed constitution.

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

(Amends Const. Art. VII, §24(A))