
DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

HB 157 Original

2024 Regular Session

Green

Abstract: Provides a limit of two consecutive terms for all statewide elected officials.

Present constitution (Const. Art. IV, §3(A)) provides that the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, treasurer, commissioner of agriculture, commissioner of insurance, superintendent of education, and commissioner of elections shall be elected for a term of four years by the electors of the state. Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution.

Present constitution (Const. Art. IV, §20) provides that the legislature may provide for the appointment, in lieu of election, of the superintendent of education and commissioner of elections, which appointment is provided for in present law (R.S. 18:18(B) and R.S. 17:21(C)). Present constitution also provides that the legislature may provide for appointment, in lieu of election, of the commissioner of agriculture and the commissioner of insurance. Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution and present law.

Present constitution provides that a person who has served as governor for more than one and one-half terms in two consecutive terms shall not be elected governor for the succeeding term.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution and further provides that a person who has served in the same statewide office for more than one and one-half terms in two consecutive terms shall not be elected to the same statewide office for the succeeding term.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 5, 2024.

(Amends Const. Art. IV, Section 3(B))