

1 AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky
2 relating to terms of members of the General Assembly.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. It is proposed that Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
5 amended to read as follows:

6 **(1) No person shall be a Representative who, at the time of his election, is not a**
7 **citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of twenty-four years, and who has not**
8 **resided in this State two years next preceding his election, and the last year thereof in the**
9 **county, town or city for which he may be chosen. *No person who is elected for his or her***
10 ***first term after November 1, 2018, to serve as a member of the House of***
11 ***Representatives for eight consecutive terms of office, whether complete or partial***
12 ***terms, shall be a Representative for the succeeding term.*** No person shall be a Senator
13 who, at the time of his election, is not a citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of
14 thirty years, and has not resided in this State six years next preceding his election, and the
15 last year thereof in the district for which he may be chosen. ***No person who is elected for***
16 ***his or her first term after November 1, 2018, to serve as a member of the Senate for***
17 ***four consecutive terms of office, whether complete or partial terms, shall be a Senator***
18 ***for the succeeding term.***

19 **(2) *No person who is elected for his or her first term after November 1, 2018,***
20 ***shall serve more than sixteen consecutive years as a member of the General Assembly,***
21 ***whether as a member of the House of Representatives or as a member of the Senate. A***
22 ***person who serves sixteen consecutive years as a member of the General Assembly***
23 ***shall not serve as a member of the General Assembly until after two years have elapsed***
24 ***since the date the member left office.***

25 ➔Section 2. It is further proposed as a part of this amendment and as a schedule
26 of transitional provisions, for the purposes of this amendment, and any other provision of
27 the Constitution of Kentucky notwithstanding:

1 (1) The newly elected candidates for Representative and Senator that receive a
2 certificate of election for those elective offices following the regular election in
3 November 2018 shall be subject to the provisions of this proposed amendment. The
4 provisions of this proposed amendment shall not apply to terms of office served prior to
5 its effective date.

6 (2) No candidate or office holder, other than those listed in subsection (1) of this
7 section, shall have his or her term of office affected by this proposed amendment.

8 ➔Section 3. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the
9 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided
10 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under KRS 118.415. The question
11 to be submitted to voters shall read as follows: "Are you in favor of limiting to sixteen
12 years the number of consecutive years that a new member of the General Assembly may
13 serve, whether as a member of the Senate or a member of the House of Representatives,
14 or in any combination of years served in both Houses, and after two years have elapsed
15 since the member left office, allowing the member to serve for up to sixteen more
16 consecutive years?".