

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 68

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE LYNCH.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Sections 8 and 11 of Article III of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting two new sections in lieu thereof relating to terms of office for certain public officials.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2020, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Sections 8 and 11, Article III, Constitution of Missouri, are repealed and two new sections adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Sections 8 and 11, to read as follows:

Section 8. No one shall be elected to serve more than ~~[eight years total in any one house of the General Assembly nor more than]~~ sixteen years total in both houses of the General Assembly. In applying this section, service in the General Assembly resulting from an election prior to December 3, ~~[1992]~~ **2020**, or service of less than one year, in the case of a member of the house of representatives, or two years, in the case of a member of the senate, by a person elected after the effective date of this section to complete the term of another person, shall not be counted.

Section 11. **1.** The first election of senators and representatives under this constitution, shall be held at the general election in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-six when the whole number of representatives and the senators from the districts having even numbers, who shall compose the first class, shall be elected, and two years thereafter the whole number

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

5 of representatives and the senators from districts having odd numbers, who shall compose the
6 second class, shall be elected, and so on at each succeeding general election.

7 **2. Beginning with the general election in 2022, representatives from districts with**
8 **even numbers, who shall compose the first class, shall be elected and every four years**
9 **thereafter. Beginning with the general election in 2024, representatives from districts with**
10 **odd numbers, who shall compose the second class, shall be elected and every four years**
11 **thereafter.**

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