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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PLOCHER.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to Article VII of the Constitution of Missouri, by adopting one new section relating to the limitation of terms served by certain elected officers.

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 VII of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Article VII, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adopting one new section, to be known as Section 15, to read as follows:

Section 15. 1. No person shall be elected governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, or attorney general more than twice, and no person who has held the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, or attorney general, or acted as governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, or attorney general for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected to such office shall be elected to that same office more than once. This subsection shall supersede the provisions of Article IV, Section 17 that relate to term limitations, provided that service in any of the aforementioned offices resulting from an election or appointment, or in the case of the governor succession to office, prior to December 3, 2020, shall count towards the limitations provided in this subsection.

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.

12 **2. No person shall be elected to serve more than sixteen years total in the general**
13 **assembly. In applying this subsection, service of less than one year, in the case of a**
14 **member of the house of representatives, or two years, in the case of a member of the senate,**
15 **by a person elected after the effective date of this section to complete the term of another**
16 **person shall not be counted. This subsection shall supersede Article III, Section 8,**
17 **provided that any service in the general assembly resulting from an election occurring**
18 **prior to December 3, 2020, shall count towards the limitations provided in this subsection.**

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