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S 84. FOUR-YEAR TERMS. Filed 2/7/07. *TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROVIDE FOUR-YEAR TERMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.* Amends Article II of the NC Constitution to provide for four-year terms for General Assembly members, with the first election to such terms in 2008. Amends Article III to provide that beginning in 2008, elections for Governor and Lieutenant Governor will take place at locations and on days as prescribed by law (was, at the same time and place as General Assembly elections). Amends Article IV of the NC Constitution to provide that clerks of superior court and district attorneys will be elected at the same time as members of the US House of Representatives (currently these officials are elected when the General Assembly is elected). Amends provisions in Articles III and IV regarding filling of mid-term vacancies to make the duration of gubernatorial appointments and timing of elections dependent on the next election of the US House of Representatives (was, the General Assembly). Provides that the amendments will be submitted to the voters at the general election in November 2008, and if approved, will apply to the General Assembly elections beginning with the 2008 general election.

Intro. by Weinstein.

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