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SENATE DRS15419-LUX-136 (02/24)

Short Title: 4-Year Terms for GA/Limit Consecutive Terms. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Daniel, Tarte, and Rabin (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AMENDING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE
3 FOUR-YEAR TERMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND TO
4 LIMIT MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FOUR CONSECUTIVE
5 TERMS IN A HOUSE.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Part I. Four-Year Terms.

8 SECTION 1.1. Section 2 of Article II of the Constitution of North Carolina reads
9 as rewritten:

10 "Sec. 2. Number of Senators.

11 The Senate shall be composed of 50 Senators, ~~biennially~~ quadrennially chosen by ballot."

12 SECTION 1.2. Section 4 of Article II of the Constitution of North Carolina reads as
13 rewritten:

14 "Sec. 4. Number of Representatives.

15 The House of Representatives shall be composed of 120 Representatives, ~~biennially~~
16 quadrennially chosen by ballot."

17 SECTION 1.3. Section 8 of Article II of the Constitution of North Carolina reads
18 as rewritten:

19 "Sec. 8. Elections.

20 The election for members of the General Assembly shall be held for the respective districts
21 in ~~1972-2016~~ and every ~~two~~ four years thereafter, at the places and on the day prescribed by
22 law."

23 SECTION 1.4. Section 7(3) of Article III of the Constitution of North Carolina
24 reads as rewritten:

25 "(3) Vacancies. – If the office of any of these officers is vacated by death, resignation, or
26 otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Governor to appoint another to serve until his successor is
27 elected and qualified. Every such vacancy shall be filled by election at the first ~~election for~~
28 ~~members of the General Assembly~~ statewide election for members of the United States House
29 of Representatives that occurs more than 60 days after the vacancy has taken place, and the
30 person chosen shall hold the office for the remainder of the unexpired term fixed in this
31 Section. When a vacancy occurs in the office of any of the officers named in this Section and
32 the term expires on the first day of January succeeding the next ~~election for members of the~~
33 ~~General Assembly~~ statewide election for members of the United States House of
34 Representatives, the Governor shall appoint to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term of the
35 office."



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