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HOUSE BILL DRH30059-MM-18 (01/27)

Short Title: Const. Amendment-Limit Governor/LG to 2 Terms. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Bert Jones.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO LIMIT THE GOVERNOR AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO A  
LIFETIME MAXIMUM OF TWO TERMS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Section 2 of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution reads as  
rewritten:

**"Sec. 2. Governor and Lieutenant Governor: election, term, and qualifications.**

...

(2) Qualifications. No person shall be eligible for election to the office of Governor or  
Lieutenant Governor unless, at the time of his election, he shall have attained the age of 30 years  
and shall have been a citizen of the United States for five years and a resident of this State for two  
years immediately preceding his election. No Beginning with terms of office commencing on or  
after January 1, 2021, no person elected to the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor shall be  
eligible for election to more than two ~~consecutive~~ terms of the same office."

**SECTION 2.** The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act shall be submitted to the  
qualified voters of the State at the general election in November 2018, which election shall be  
conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots, voting systems, or both  
may be used in accordance with Chapter 163 of the General Statutes. The question to be used in  
the voting systems and ballots shall be:

"[ ] FOR [ ] AGAINST

Constitutional amendment providing that no person may serve more than two terms as  
the Governor or as the Lieutenant Governor."

**SECTION 3.** If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in favor of the  
amendments set out in this act, the State Board of Elections shall certify the amendment to the  
Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment so certified among the  
permanent records of that office. The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act becomes effective  
upon certification.

**SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

