



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

HC0007

Introduced 1/28/2025, by Rep. Joe C. Sosnowski

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

ILCON Art. IV, Sec. 2.5 new
ILCON Art. V, Sec. 2

Proposes to amend the Legislature Article of the Illinois Constitution. Prohibits a person from holding the office of State Senator or State Representative or a combination of those offices for more than 20 years; provided that service before the second Wednesday in January of 2023 shall not be considered in the calculation of a person's service. Proposes to amend the Executive Article of the Illinois Constitution. Prohibits an executive branch officer from serving more than 2 consecutive terms in the same executive branch office. Effective upon being declared adopted. Applies to the election of executive branch officers in 2026 and thereafter.

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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION
 2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
 4 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
 5 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the
 6 electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general
 7 election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption
 8 of this resolution a proposition to amend the Illinois
 9 Constitution by adding Section 2.5 to Article IV and by
 10 changing Section 2 of Article 5 as follows:

11 ARTICLE IV
 12 THE LEGISLATURE

13 (ILCON Art. IV, Sec. 2.5 new)

14 SECTION 2.5. TERM LIMITS

15 A person may not hold the office of State Senator or State
 16 Representative or a combination of those offices for more than
 17 20 years; provided that service before the second Wednesday in
 18 January of 2023 shall not be considered in the calculation of a
 19 person's service.

20 ARTICLE V
 21 THE EXECUTIVE

1 (ILCON Art. V, Sec. 2)

2 SECTION 2. TERMS

3 (a) These elected officers of the Executive Branch shall
4 hold office for four years beginning on the second Monday of
5 January after their election and, except in the case of the
6 Lieutenant Governor, until their successors are qualified.
7 They shall be elected at the general election in 1978 and every
8 four years thereafter.

9 (b) A person may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms of
10 office within the same Executive Branch office. A person who
11 has served 2 consecutive terms within the same Executive
12 Branch office may not serve another term of office in that
13 office until 8 years after the conclusion of the person's
14 second consecutive term.

15 A person is considered to serve a term of office for the
16 purpose of this subsection if the person is elected or
17 appointed to serve any portion of the term.

18 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

19 SCHEDULE

20 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being
21 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois
22 Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to the election of
23 officers of the executive branch in 2026 and thereafter.