



**99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2015 and 2016**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**SC0008**

Introduced 2/3/2015, by Sen. William E. Brady

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. IV, Sec. 2.5 new

Proposes to amend the Legislature Article of the Illinois Constitution. Prohibits a Representative from serving more than 5 consecutive terms from the same Representative District. Prohibits a Senator from serving more than 3 consecutive terms from the same Legislative District. Prohibits a person who has served the maximum number of consecutive terms from serving another term in the same office from the same district until after the expiration of at least the next 2 terms. Effective upon being declared adopted, and applies to terms beginning on or after the second Wednesday in January 2017.

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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION  
2 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
5 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 of  
8 this resolution a proposition to amend the Illinois  
9 Constitution by adding Section 2.5 to Article IV as follows:

10 ARTICLE IV  
11 THE LEGISLATURE

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

13 SECTION 2.5. TERM LIMITS

14 (a) A person may not serve more than 5 consecutive terms of  
15 office as a Representative from the same Representative  
16 District. A person who has served 5 consecutive terms of office  
17 as a Representative from the same Representative District may  
18 not serve another term of office as a Representative from that  
19 Representative District until after the expiration of at least  
20 the next 2 terms of the office of Representative from that  
21 Representative District following the conclusion of the  
22 person's fifth consecutive term.

23 (b) A person may not serve more than 3 consecutive terms of

1 office as a Senator from the same Legislative District. A  
2 person who has served 3 consecutive terms of office as a  
3 Senator from the same Legislative District may not serve  
4 another term of office as a Senator from that Legislative  
5 District until after the expiration of at least the next 2  
6 terms of the office of Senator from that Legislative District  
7 following the conclusion of the person's third consecutive  
8 term.

9 (c) A person is considered to serve a term of office for  
10 the purpose of this Section if the person is elected or  
11 appointed to serve any portion of the term.

12 SCHEDULE

13 This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being  
14 declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois  
15 Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to terms of office  
16 beginning on or after the second Wednesday in January 2017.