



**99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2015 and 2016**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

**SC0020**

Introduced 10/20/2015, by Sen. Michael Noland

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

ILCON Art. IV, Sec. 6

ILCON Art. V, Sec. 2

Proposes to amend the Legislature Article of the Illinois Constitution. Limits a person's service in the office of Speaker of the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, Minority Leader of the House, or Minority Leader of the Senate to 8 years in any one office. Proposes to amend the Executive Article of the Illinois Constitution. Limits a person's service in an Executive Branch office to a total of 8 years in any one Executive Branch office. Effective upon being declared adopted and applies to Legislative Branch service on or after the second Wednesday in January, 2017 and Executive Branch service on or after the second Monday 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 in Article IV by changing Section 6 and in Article  
10 V by changing Section 2 as follows:

11                                   ARTICLE IV  
12                                   THE LEGISLATURE

13           (ILCON Art. IV, Sec. 6)

14           SECTION 6. ORGANIZATION

15           (a) A majority of the members elected to each house  
16 constitutes a quorum.

17           (b) On the first day of the January session of the General  
18 Assembly in odd-numbered years, the Secretary of State shall  
19 convene the House of Representatives to elect from its  
20 membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as  
21 presiding officer, and the Governor shall convene the Senate to  
22 elect from its membership a President of the Senate as  
23 presiding officer. A person may serve no more than 8 years in

1 any one of the following offices: Speaker of the House of  
2 Representatives, President of the Senate, Minority Leader of  
3 the House of Representatives, or Minority Leader of the Senate;  
4 provided that service before the second Wednesday in January of  
5 2017 shall not be considered in the calculation of a person's  
6 service.

7 (c) For purposes of powers of appointment conferred by this  
8 Constitution, the Minority Leader of either house is a member  
9 of the numerically strongest political party other than the  
10 party to which the Speaker or the President belongs, as the  
11 case may be.

12 (d) Each house shall determine the rules of its  
13 proceedings, judge the elections, returns and qualifications  
14 of its members and choose its officers. No member shall be  
15 expelled by either house, except by a vote of two-thirds of the  
16 members elected to that house. A member may be expelled only  
17 once for the same offense. Each house may punish by  
18 imprisonment any person, not a member, guilty of disrespect to  
19 the house by disorderly or contemptuous behavior in its  
20 presence. Imprisonment shall not extend beyond twenty-four  
21 hours at one time unless the person persists in disorderly or  
22 contemptuous behavior.

23 (Source: Illinois Constitution.)

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## THE EXECUTIVE

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(ILCON Art. V, Sec. 2)

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## SECTION 2. TERMS

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These elected officers of the Executive Branch shall hold office for four years beginning on the second Monday of January after their election and, except in the case of the Lieutenant Governor, until their successors are qualified. They shall be elected at the general election in 1978 and every four years thereafter. A person may serve no more than a total of 8 years in any one Executive Branch office. Service before the second Monday in January 2017 shall not be considered in the calculation of a person's service.

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(Source: Illinois Constitution.)

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## SCHEDULE

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This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

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