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H.J.R. No. 54

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment to limit the time that a
2 person may serve as a member of the Texas Legislature.

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

4 SECTION 1. Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by
5 adding Section 7a to read as follows:

6 Sec. 7a. (a) A person is not eligible to be elected to the
7 house of representatives if, before the date of the election, the
8 person has served as a member of the house during all or part of six
9 regular sessions of the legislature.

10 (b) A person is not eligible to be elected to the senate if,
11 before the date of the election, the person has served as a member
12 of the senate during all or part of six regular sessions of the
13 legislature. This subsection does not prohibit a person who has
14 served as a member of the senate during all or part of five regular
15 sessions of the legislature from being elected to or serving a
16 four-year term in the senate even though at the end of that term the
17 person will have served during all or part of more than six regular
18 sessions.

19 (c) Legislative service before the legislature convenes in
20 regular session in 2017 is not counted in determining whether a
21 person is disqualified from election to office under this section.

22 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
23 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2015.
24 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the

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1 following proposition: "The constitutional amendment to limit the
2 time that a person may serve as a member of the Texas Legislature."