

INITIATED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PETITION

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED qualified voters of the state of South Dakota, petition that the following section or sections and article or articles of the South Dakota Constitution be amended and that this proposal be submitted to the voters of the state of South Dakota at the general election on November 5th, 2024, for their approval or rejection.

Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution Revising Legislative Term Limits.

Attorney General Explanation: Members of the South Dakota Legislature are limited by the State Constitution to four consecutive terms of service, or eight consecutive years, in either the House of Representatives or the Senate. Currently, a legislator can serve an indefinite number of years in the Legislature if a break in service occurs in either chamber.

The proposed amendment limits legislators to serving a lifetime total of eight years in the State House of Representatives and a total of eight years in the State Senate, or a maximum total of sixteen years.

Amendment Text: "Be it enacted by the people of South Dakota, that Article III, Sec.6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be AMENDED:

Legislative terms of office—Compensation—Regular session. The terms of office of the members of the legislature shall be two years; they shall receive for their services the salary fixed by law under the provisions of section 2 of article XXI of this Constitution, and five cents for every mile of necessary travel in going to and returning from the place of meeting of the Legislature on the most usual route.

No person may serve more than ~~four consecutive terms or a total of eight consecutive years~~ in the senate and more than ~~four consecutive terms or a total of eight consecutive years~~ in the house of representatives. However, this restriction does not apply to partial terms to which a legislator may be appointed.

A regular session of the Legislature shall be held each year and shall not exceed forty legislative days, excluding Sundays, holidays and legislative recess, except in cases of impeachment, and members of the Legislature shall receive no other pay or perquisites except salary and mileage."

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