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H.J.R. No. 146

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 or as a
3 statewide elected officer in the executive branch.

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

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

7 Sec. 7a. (a) A person is not eligible to be elected to the
8 house of representatives if, before the date of the election, the
9 person has served as a member of the house during all of seven
10 regular sessions of the legislature. If the person has served as a
11 member of the house during part of a regular session of the
12 legislature the person is exempt from including it as a regular
13 session of the legislature.

14 (b) A person is not eligible to be elected to the senate if,
15 before the date of the election, the person has served as a member
16 of the senate during all of four regular sessions of the
17 legislature. If the person has served as a member of the senate
18 during part of a regular session of the legislature the person is
19 exempt from including it as a regular session of the legislature.

20 (c) Legislative service before the legislature convenes in
21 regular session in 2015 is not counted in determining whether a
22 person is disqualified from election to office under this section.

23 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
24 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.

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1 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the
2 following proposition: "The constitutional amendment to limit the
3 time that a person may serve as a member of the Texas Legislature or
4 as a statewide elected officer in the executive branch."