

1-1 By: Eltife S.J.R. No. 13
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed December 5, 2012; January 29, 2013,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
1-4 March 13, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8,
1-5 Nays 0; March 13, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Duncan	X		
1-9	Deuell	X		
1-10	Ellis	X		
1-11	Fraser		X	
1-12	Huffman	X		
1-13	Lucio	X		
1-14	Nichols	X		
1-15	Van de Putte	X		
1-16	Williams	X		

1-17 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

1-18 proposing a constitutional amendment limiting to two the number of
1-19 consecutive terms for which a person may be elected or appointed to
1-20 hold certain state offices.

1-21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Article IV, Texas Constitution, is amended by
1-23 adding Section 2a to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 2a. (a) A person who has been elected or appointed to
1-25 serve two consecutive terms in an office listed in Section 1 of this
1-26 article or any other state office normally filled by the voters at a
1-27 statewide election, other than a statewide judicial office, is not
1-28 eligible for election or appointment to serve a third consecutive
1-29 term. This provision does not limit a person's eligibility for
1-30 election or appointment to serve nonconsecutive terms.

1-31 (b) Nothing in this section prohibits a person from
1-32 continuing to serve in an office covered by this section after the
1-33 end of a term as a holdover under Section 17, Article XVI, of this
1-34 constitution until a successor is qualified.

1-35 (c) The term of a person appointed to serve for the
1-36 remainder of a term to fill a vacancy in a statewide office is not
1-37 counted in determining whether a person is eligible to serve under
1-38 Subsection (a) of this section.

1-39 SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to
1-40 the Texas Constitution:

1-41 TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) This temporary provision applies
1-42 to the constitutional amendment proposed by the 83rd Legislature,
1-43 Regular Session, 2013, limiting to two the number of consecutive
1-44 terms for which a person may be elected or appointed to hold certain
1-45 state offices.

1-46 (b) A term of office that begins before January 1, 2014, is
1-47 not counted in determining whether a person is eligible to serve
1-48 under Section 2a, Article IV, of this constitution.

1-49 (c) This temporary provision expires February 1, 2031.

1-50 SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
1-51 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.
1-52 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
1-53 proposition: "The constitutional amendment limiting to two the
1-54 number of consecutive terms for which a person may be elected or
1-55 appointed to hold the office of governor, lieutenant governor,
1-56 secretary of state, comptroller of public accounts, commissioner of
1-57 the General Land Office, attorney general, commissioner of
1-58 agriculture, or railroad commissioner."

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