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AN ACT proposing to amend Sections 32, 95, 145, and 148 of the Constitution of

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2 Kentucky relating to elections. 3 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky: 4 → Section 1. It is proposed that Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky be 5 amended to read as follows: 6 (1) No person shall be a Representative who, at the time of his *or her* election, is 7 not a citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of twenty-four years, and who has not 8 resided in this State two years next preceding his *or her* election, and the last year thereof 9 in the county, town or city for which he or she may be chosen. No person who is elected for his or her first term after November 1, 2020, to serve as a member of the House of 10 11 Representatives for six consecutive terms of office, whether complete or partial terms, 12 shall be a Representative for the succeeding term. No person shall be a Senator who, at 13 the time of his *or her* election, is not a citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of 14 thirty years, and has not resided in this State six years next preceding his or her election, 15 and the last year thereof in the district for which he or she may be chosen. No person 16 who is elected for his or her first term after November 1, 2020, to serve as a member of 17 the Senate for three consecutive terms of office, whether complete or partial terms, 18 shall be a Senator for the succeeding term. 19 → Section 2. It is proposed that Section 95 of the Constitution of Kentucky be 20 amended to read as follows: 21 The election under this Constitution for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, 22 Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and 23 Commissioner of Agriculture, Labor and Statistics, shall be held on the first Tuesday after 24 the first Monday in November, 1895 [eighteen hundred and ninety-five], and the same day 25 every four years thereafter until the election in November, 2019. (2) Following the election in November 2019, the election under this 26 Constitution for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, Auditor of Public 27

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1 Accounts, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and Commissioner of Agriculture,

- 2 Labor and Statistics, shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in
- 3 November 2024, and the same day every four years thereafter.
- Section 3. It is proposed that Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky be

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- 5 amended to read as follows:
- Every citizen of the United States of the age of eighteen years who has resided in the state one year, and in the county six months, and the precinct in which he offers to vote sixty days next preceding the election, shall be a voter in said precinct and not elsewhere but the following persons are excepted and shall not have the right to vote.
- 1. Persons convicted in any court of competent jurisdiction of treason, or felony,
 11 or bribery in an election, or of such high misdemeanor as the General Assembly may
 12 declare shall operate as an exclusion from the right of suffrage, but persons hereby
 13 excluded may be restored to their civil rights <u>automatically once those persons have</u>
 14 served their sentence, completed parole, probation, and paid restitution if part of their
- 15 *sentence included restitution or* by executive pardon.
- 2. Persons who, at the time of the election, are in confinement under the judgment of a court for some penal offense.
- 18 3. Idiots and insane persons.
- Section 4. It is proposed that Section 148 of the Constitution of Kentucky be amended to read as follows:
- Not more than one election each year shall be held in this State or in any city, town,
- district, urban-county or county thereof, except as otherwise provided in this Constitution.
- 23 All regular elections of State, county, city, town, urban-county, or district officers shall be
- held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. All voting precincts shall
- 25 <u>be open for voters to cast their ballots on the Saturday before the first Tuesday after the</u>
- 26 <u>first Monday in November.</u> All elections by the people shall be between the hours of six
- o'clock a.m. and seven o'clock p.m., except all voting precincts shall be open until eight

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o'clock p.m. on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. [but the General Assembly may change said hours, and] All officers of any election shall be residents and voters in the precinct in which they act. The General Assembly shall provide by law that

4 all employers shall allow employees, under reasonable regulations, at least four hours on

5 election days, in which to cast their votes.

- → Section 5. It is further proposed as a part of this amendment and as a schedule of transitional provisions, for the purpose of this amendment, and any other provision of the Constitution of Kentucky notwithstanding:
- (1) The candidates for Representative and Senator that receive a certificate of election for those elective offices following the regular election in November 2020 and those candidates for Senator that receive a certificate of election for that elective office following the election of November 2022 shall be subject to the provisions of subsection (1) of Section 1 of this Act and shall not apply to terms of office served prior to its effective date, and no candidate or office holder, other than those listed in subsection (1) of Section 1 of this Act, shall have his or her term of office affected by this proposed amendment.
- (2) The candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Treasurer, Auditor of Public Accounts, Attorney General, Secretary of State, and Commissioner of Agriculture, Labor and Statistics that receive a certificate of election for those elective offices following the regular election of November 2019 shall have the duration of their terms extended by one year and shall serve a single five year term. The regular election for those offices shall then be held in November 2024 and every four years thereafter. No candidate or office holder, other than those listed in subsection (1) of Section 2 of this Act, shall have the duration of his or her term extended by this proposed amendment.
- Section 6. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under KRS 118.415.

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