

1 AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky
2 relating to terms of members of the General Assembly.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. Are you in favor of limiting the number of consecutive terms that a
5 member of the General Assembly may serve, by limiting a Senator to three consecutive
6 terms in the Kentucky Senate, and limiting a Representative to six consecutive terms in
7 the Kentucky House of Representatives, and requiring two or more years to elapse before
8 a Senator or Representative is eligible to seek an additional term or terms, beginning with
9 the regular election in 2022, by amending the Constitution of Kentucky to read as stated
10 below?

11 ➔Section 2. It is proposed that Section 32 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
12 amended to read as follows:

13 (1) No person shall be a Representative who, at the time of his election, is not a
14 citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of twenty-four years, and who has not
15 resided in this State two years next preceding his election, and the last year thereof in the
16 county, town or city for which he may be chosen. No person shall be a Senator who, at
17 the time of his election, is not a citizen of Kentucky, has not attained the age of thirty
18 years, and has not resided in this State six years next preceding his election, and the last
19 year thereof in the district for which he may be chosen.

20 (2) No person shall be elected to more than six consecutive terms of office as a
21 member of the House of Representatives, or to more than three consecutive terms of
22 office as a member of the Senate. Terms shall be considered consecutive unless
23 separated by a period of two or more years. In determining the eligibility of an
24 individual to hold an office as provided in this section, time served in an office in
25 fulfillment of a partial term as a result of a special election to fill a vacancy shall not
26 be considered unless the partial term is two full years or more. Any person who is
27 elected to an office in a regularly scheduled election and resigns prior to the

1 completion of the term for which he or she was elected shall be considered to have
2 served the full term in that office.

3 →Section 3. It is further proposed as a part of this amendment and as a schedule
4 of transitional provisions, for the purposes of this amendment, and any other provisions
5 of the Constitution of Kentucky notwithstanding:

6 (1) The candidates for Representative and Senator who receive a certificate of
7 election for those elective offices following the regular election in November 2022 or
8 thereafter shall be subject to the provisions of this proposed amendment. The provisions
9 of this proposed amendment shall not include terms of office of Representatives and
10 Senators from even-numbered Senatorial Districts completed prior to January 1, 2023,
11 and terms of office of Senators from odd-numbered Senatorial Districts completed prior
12 to January 1, 2025.

13 (2) No candidate or office holder, other than those listed in subsection (1) of this
14 section, shall have his or her term of office affected by this proposed amendment.

15 →Section 4. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the
16 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided
17 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution and under Sections 5 and 6 of this
18 Act.

19 →Section 5. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the
20 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution
21 of Kentucky contained in Sections 1 to 3 of this Act to be published at least one (1) time
22 in a newspaper of general circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be
23 published at the same time and in the same manner the fact that the amendment will be
24 submitted to the voters for their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at
25 which members of the General Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by
26 this section and KRS 118.415 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August
27 preceding the election at which the amendment is to be voted on.

1 ➔Section 6. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the
2 Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August
3 preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be
4 chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the
5 United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September
6 preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice
7 President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the proposed amendment to the
8 Constitution of Kentucky contained in Sections 1 to 3 of this Act to the county clerk of
9 each county, and the county clerk shall have the entirety of the amendment, as so
10 certified, indicated on the ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as
11 applicable to the voting machines in use in each county or precinct.