

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 terms that a member of
5 the General Assembly may serve, by limiting a Senator to four terms in the Kentucky
6 Senate, and limiting a Representative to eight terms in the Kentucky House of
7 Representatives, beginning with the regular election in 2028, by amending the
8 Constitution of Kentucky to read as stated below?

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

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

18 (2) No person shall be elected to more than eight terms of office as a member of
19 the House of Representatives, or to more than four terms of office as a member of the
20 Senate. In determining the eligibility of an individual to hold an office as provided in
21 this section, time served in an office in fulfillment of a partial term as a result of a
22 special election to fill a vacancy shall not be considered unless the partial term is two
23 full years or more. Any person who is elected to an office in a regularly scheduled
24 election and resigns prior to the completion of the term for which he or she was elected
25 shall be considered to have served the full term in that office.

26 ➔Section 3. It is further proposed as a schedule of transitional provisions for the
27 purposes of this amendment:

1 (1) The candidates for Representative and Senator who receive a certificate of
2 election for those elective offices following the regular election in November 2028 or
3 thereafter shall be subject to the provisions of this proposed amendment. The provisions
4 of this proposed amendment shall not include terms of office of Representatives from all
5 Representative Districts and Senators from even-numbered Senatorial Districts completed
6 prior to January 1, 2029, and terms of office of Senators from odd-numbered Senatorial
7 Districts completed prior to January 1, 2031.

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

10 ➔Section 4. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the
11 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided
12 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution, KRS 118.415, and Sections 5 and 6
13 of this Act.

14 ➔Section 5. Notwithstanding any provision of KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the
15 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act, the
16 entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in Section
17 2 of this Act, and the entirety of the schedule of transitional provisions contained in
18 Section 3 of this Act to be published at least one time in a newspaper of general
19 circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be published at the same time
20 and in the same manner the fact that the amendment will be submitted to the voters for
21 their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at which members of the General
22 Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by this section and KRS 118.415
23 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August preceding the election at which
24 the amendment is to be voted on.

25 ➔Section 6. Notwithstanding any provision of KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the
26 Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August
27 preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be

1 chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the
2 United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September
3 preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice
4 President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this
5 Act, the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in
6 Section 2 of this Act, and the entirety of the schedule of transitional provisions contained
7 in Section 3 of this Act to the county clerk of each county, and the county clerk shall
8 have the entirety of the question and the amendment, as so certified, indicated on the
9 ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as applicable to the voting
10 machines in use in each county or precinct.