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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 13, 2012

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, further providing for terms of members.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby resolves as follows:

5 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
6 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

7 That section 3 of Article II be amended to read:

8 § 3. Terms of members.

9 Senators shall be elected for the term of four years and
10 Representatives for the term of two years. No member of the
11 General Assembly shall serve more than 12 years in the General
12 Assembly.

13 Section 2. The provisions of this resolution apply only to
14 terms served by members of the General Assembly after the first
15 election cycle following the ratification of this constitutional
16 amendment and thereafter.

17 Section 3. (a) Upon the first passage by the General

1 Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the
2 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to
3 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article
4 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the
5 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in
6 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after
7 passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

8 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this
9 proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the
10 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the
11 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
12 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required
13 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such
14 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of
15 this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the
16 Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment
17 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first
18 primary, general or municipal election which meets the
19 requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article
20 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least
21 three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is
22 passed by the General Assembly.