
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 307 Session of
2013

INTRODUCED BY EICHELBERGER, VULAKOVICH, WARD, ALLOWAY AND VOGEL,
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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 25, 2013

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, providing for limits on the terms of members
3 of the General Assembly.

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

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

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

9 § 3. Terms of members.

10 Senators shall be elected for the term of four years and
11 Representatives for the term of two years. No member of the
12 General Assembly may serve more than a total of twelve years in
13 the Senate and a total of twelve years in the House of
14 Representatives over the course of the member's lifetime.

15 Section 2. The provisions of this resolution will only
16 affect members of the General Assembly elected from the first
17 election cycle following the ratification of this constitutional
18 amendment and thereafter.

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

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