

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of
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MRKONIC, MICOZZIE AND WIGGINS, MARCH 14, 1983

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 14, 1983

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, providing for six-year terms for Senators
3 and four-year terms for members of the House of
4 Representatives.

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

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

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

10 § 3. Terms of members.

11 Senators shall be elected for the term of [four] six years
12 and Representatives for the term of [two] four years.

13 Section 2. At the first general election after the adoption
14 of this amendment, Representatives in odd-numbered districts
15 shall be elected for terms of four years and the Representatives
16 in even-numbered districts shall be elected for terms of two

1 years. Sixteen Senators shall be elected for terms of two year,
2 17 Senators shall be elected for terms of four years, and 17
3 Senators shall be elected for terms of six years. The method of
4 selection of the Senatorial districts which shall correspond to
5 the terms of two, four and six years shall be provided for by
6 the General Assembly.