

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0006

Term limits.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gray and Salazar

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming
2 Constitution; imposing term limits on the offices of state
3 senator and state representative, the governor, secretary
4 of state, auditor, treasurer and superintendent of public
5 instruction; and providing a ballot statement.

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7 *BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,*
8 *two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting*
9 *separately, concurring therein:*

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11 **Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming
12 Constitution, Article 3, Section 2 and Article 4, Sections
13 2 and 11 is proposed for submission to the electors of the
14 State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval
15 or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution
16 if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

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2 **Article 3, Section 2. Members' terms and**
3 **qualifications.**

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5 (a) Senators shall be elected for the term of four
6 (4) years and representatives for the term of two (2)
7 years. The senators elected at the first election shall be
8 divided by lot into two classes as nearly equal as may be.
9 The seats of senators of the first class shall be vacated
10 at the expiration of the first two years, and of the second
11 class at the expiration of four years. No person shall be a
12 senator who has not attained the age of twenty-five years,
13 or a representative who has not attained the age of
14 twenty-one years, and who is not a citizen of the United
15 States and of this state and who has not, for at least
16 twelve months next preceding his election resided within
17 the county or district in which he was elected.

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19 (b) No person shall be eligible to serve as a senator
20 if the person by the end of the current term of office will
21 have served, or but for resignation would have served,
22 twelve (12) or more years in the same senate office. No
23 person shall be eligible to serve as a representative if

1 the person by the end of the current term of office will
2 have served, or but for resignation would have served, ten
3 (10) or more years in the same house of representatives
4 office. Any time served as a senator or representative
5 before January 7, 2019, shall not be counted for purposes
6 of these term limits.

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8 **Article 4, Section 2 Qualifications of governor; term**
9 **limit.**

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11 No person shall be eligible to the office of governor
12 unless ~~he be~~ the person is a citizen of the United States
13 and a qualified elector of the state, who has attained the
14 age of thirty years, and who has resided 5 years next
15 preceding the election within the state or territory, nor
16 shall he be eligible to any other office during the term
17 for which he was elected. No person shall be eligible to
18 serve as governor if the person by the end of the current
19 term of office will have served, or but for resignation
20 would have served, two (2) or more terms as the governor.
21 Any time served as the governor before January 7, 2019,
22 shall not be counted for purposes of this term limit.

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1 **Article 4, Section 11 State officers; election;**
2 **qualifications; terms.**

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4 There shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the
5 state at the times and places of choosing members of the
6 legislature, a secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, and
7 superintendent of public instruction, who shall have
8 attained the age of twenty-five (25) years respectively,
9 shall be citizens of the United States, and shall have the
10 qualifications of state electors. They shall severally
11 hold their offices at the seat of government, for the term
12 of four (4) years and until their successors are elected
13 and duly qualified. The legislature may provide for such
14 other state officers as are deemed necessary. No person
15 shall be eligible to serve as the secretary of state,
16 auditor, treasurer, or superintendent of public instruction
17 if the person by the end of the current term of office will
18 have served, or but for resignation would have served, two
19 (2) or more terms in the same office. Any time served as
20 secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, or superintendent
21 of public instruction before January 7, 2019, shall not be
22 counted for purposes of these term limits.

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1 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse
2 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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4 The adoption of this amendment will impose term limits for
5 state senators and state representatives, the governor,
6 secretary of state, auditor, treasurer and superintendent
7 of public instruction. If a person will have served, or but
8 for resignation would have served, twelve (12) or more
9 years in the same senate office, ten (10) or more years in
10 the same house of representatives office or two (2) terms
11 in elected state executive office, the person would not be
12 eligible to be elected or appointed again to that office.
13 Time served in the same office before January 7, 2019 would
14 not be counted for determining term limits.

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