

By: Representative Saucier

To: Constitution

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 34
2 AND SECTION 35, MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO PROVIDE THAT
3 A PERSON WHO HAS SERVED TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS IN THE MISSISSIPPI
4 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OR MISSISSIPPI SENATE SHALL NOT BE
5 ELIGIBLE AS HIS OR HER IMMEDIATE SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE UNTIL ONE
6 TERM HAS INTERVENED; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
8 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendments to the Mississippi
9 Constitution of 1890 are proposed to the qualified electors of the
10 state:

11 I.

12 Amend Section 34, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read
13 as follows:

14 "Section 34. The House of Representatives shall consist of
15 members chosen every four (4) years by the qualified electors of
16 the several counties and representative districts. A person
17 elected to the Mississippi House of Representatives shall be
18 eligible to succeed himself or herself in office, but no person
19 who has been elected to the House for two (2) consecutive, full
20 terms shall be eligible to hold a seat in the House until one (1)
21 term has intervened. For the purposes of this section, a person
22 that is elected to fill a vacancy in office as a member of the
23 House of Representatives shall be considered to have served a full
24 term only if that person served at least two (2) years of the
25 remaining term of office to which he or she was elected."

26 II.

27 Amend Section 35, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read
28 as follows:

29 "Section 35. The Senate shall consist of members chosen
30 every four (4) years by the qualified electors of the several
31 districts. A person elected to the Mississippi Senate shall be
32 eligible to succeed himself or herself in office, but no person
33 who has been elected to the Senate for two (2) consecutive full
34 terms shall be eligible to hold a seat in the Senate until one (1)
35 term has intervened. For the purposes of this section, a person
36 that is elected to fill a vacancy in office as a member of the
37 Senate shall be considered to have served a full term only if that
38 person served at least two (2) years of the remaining term of
39 office to which he or she was elected."

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That these proposed amendments shall
41 be submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors
42 at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first
43 Monday of November 1999, as provided by Section 273 of the
44 Constitution and by general law, with the amendments in this
45 resolution being voted on as one (1) amendment since the proposed
46 amendments pertain to one (1) subject.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed
48 amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed
49 constitutional amendment provides that a person who has served two
50 consecutive terms in the Mississippi House of Representatives or
51 the Mississippi Senate shall not be eligible as his or her
52 immediate successor in office until one term has intervened."