

By: Senator(s) Johnson (19th), Williamson

To: Constitution

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 512

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION
2 121, MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO LIMIT EXTRAORDINARY
3 SESSIONS TO 31 CONSECUTIVE CALENDAR DAYS.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
5 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi
6 Constitution of 1890 be submitted to the qualified electors of
7 this state.

8 Amend Section 121, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read
9 as follows:

10 Section 121. The Governor shall have power to convene the
11 Legislature in extraordinary session whenever, in his judgment,
12 the public interest requires it. Should the Governor deem it
13 necessary to convene the Legislature he shall do so by public
14 proclamation, in which he shall state the subjects and matters to
15 be considered by the Legislature, when so convened; and the
16 Legislature, when so convened as aforesaid, shall have no power to
17 consider or act upon subjects or matters other than those
18 designated in the proclamation of the Governor by which the
19 session is called, except impeachments and examination into the
20 accounts of state officers. The Legislature, when so convened,
21 may also act on and consider such other matters as the Governor
22 may in writing submit to them while in session. The Governor may
23 convene the Legislature at the seat of government, or at a
24 different place if that shall become dangerous from an enemy or
25 from disease; and in case of a disagreement between the two (2)
26 houses with respect to time of adjournment, adjourn them to such
27 time as he shall think proper, not beyond the day of the next



28 stated meeting of the Legislature. Extraordinary sessions shall
29 be limited to thirty-one (31) consecutive calendar days.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this amendment shall be
31 submitted to the qualified electors at an election to be held on
32 the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November 2003 as
33 provided by Section 273 of the Constitution and by law.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of the amendment
35 for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed amendment
36 limits extraordinary sessions of the Legislature to 31 consecutive
37 calendar days."

