

January 19, 1951.

H. J. R. 1

Constitutional Amendments.

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Passed House, Date

Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....

Passed Senate, Date

Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....

Approved

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the state of Iowa relating to the term of office of the governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general, and setting election date therefor.

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. That the Constitution of the state of Iowa
2 be amended by striking from line four (4), section two (2),
3 article four (IV) the word "two", and by substituting in lieu
4 thereof the word "four".

1 Sec. 2. In no event shall the governor be elected to
2 serve in excess of two terms.

1 Sec. 3. That the Constitution of the state of Iowa be
2 amended by striking from line two (2), section three (3),
3 article four (IV) the word "two", and by substituting in lieu
4 thereof the word "four".

1 Sec. 4. That the Constitution of the state of Iowa be
2 amended by striking from line four (4), section fifteen (15),
3 article four (IV) the word "two" and substituting in lieu
4 thereof the word "four".

1 Sec. 5. That the Constitution of the state of Iowa be amended
2 by striking from line four (4), section twelve (12), article
3 five (V) the word "two" and substituting in lieu thereof the
4 word "four".

1 Sec. 6. These amendments, if approved by the Fifty-fifth
2 General Assembly of Iowa and adopted by the electors of this
3 state, shall apply to the officers named in sections one (1)
4 and three (3), articles four (IV) and section twelve (12),
5 article five (V) of the Constitution of the state of Iowa
6 elected at the general election in the state of Iowa in 1954.

1 Sec. 7. That the foregoing proposed amendments be and the
2 same are hereby referred to the General Assembly to be chosen
3 at the next general election for members of the General
4 Assembly and that the secretary of state cause the same to be
5 published for three months previous to the date of said
6 election, as provided by law.

EXPLANATION OF H. J. R. 1

This bill provides for terms of 4 years for the governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general. The governor is limited to two terms. These 3 officers will be elected in off election years. It is believed the longer term will provide more efficient and economical administration. Election expenses will be less.