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# H. J. RES. 36

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States limiting the number of consecutive terms that Senators and Representatives may serve.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 5, 1993

Mr. KOLBE introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States limiting the number of consecutive terms that Senators and Representatives may serve.

1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*  
3       *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*  
4       *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*  
5       *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*  
6       *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*  
7       *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*

1 States within 7 years from the date of its submission by  
2 the Congress:

3 “ARTICLE—

4 “SECTION 1. A person may not hold the office of Sen-  
5 ator if, by the end of the term of the Senator holding the  
6 office during or immediately before the most recent elec-  
7 tion for the office, the person will have held (or, but for  
8 resignation, would have held) the office for 2 full consecu-  
9 tive terms.

10 “SECTION 2. A person may not hold the office of Rep-  
11 resentative if, by the end of the term of the Representative  
12 holding the office during or immediately before the most  
13 recent election for the office, the person will have held (or,  
14 but for resignation, would have held) the office for 3 full  
15 consecutive terms.

16 “SECTION 3. For purposes of this article, a term shall  
17 be considered to be consecutive with another term unless  
18 the terms are separated by at least 1 full intervening term.

19 “SECTION 4. For purposes of this article, a person  
20 who is elected or appointed to fill a vacancy in the rep-  
21 resentation of any State in the Congress and who serves  
22 at least one-half of the term of the office to which the  
23 person was elected or appointed shall be considered to  
24 have held the office for a full term.

1       “SECTION 5. This article shall apply to Senators and  
2 Representatives who are elected or appointed on or after  
3 the first day that this article is valid as part of the Con-  
4 stitution. Any term as a Senator or Representative for  
5 which a person was elected or appointed before such day  
6 shall not be counted for purposes of applying sections 1  
7 and 2.”.

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