

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1

57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION 5 OF THE
CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO HJC→~~PROVIDE THAT EACH REGULAR
SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL NOT EXCEED FORTY-FIVE DAYS,
REMOVE THE RESTRICTIONS ON BILLS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED IN
EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS~~←HJC HJC→~~DIVIDE THE CURRENT NUMBER OF DAYS
FOR EACH LEGISLATIVE BIENNIUM EQUALLY BETWEEN TWO REGULAR
LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS NOT TO EXCEED FORTY-FIVE DAYS EACH,
PROVIDE THAT ALL BILLS MAY BE CONSIDERED IN EVEN-NUMBERED~~

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YEARS, CHANGE THE START DATE OF LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS←HJC AND PROVIDE FOR CONSIDERATION OF VETO OVERRIDES FOR BILLS OF A REGULAR, SPECIAL OR EXTRAORDINARY LEGISLATIVE SESSION WITHIN THE SAME BIENNIUM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 4, Section 5 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

"A. Each regular session of the legislature shall begin annually at 12:00 noon on the HJC→**third**←HJC HJC→**second**←HJC Tuesday of January. Every regular session of the legislature [~~convening during an odd-numbered year shall remain in session not to exceed sixty days, and every regular session of the legislature convening during an even-numbered year~~] shall remain in session not to exceed [~~thirty~~] forty-five days. No special session of the legislature shall exceed thirty days.

B. Every regular session of the legislature [~~convening during an even-numbered year shall consider only the following:~~

- (1) ~~budgets, appropriations and revenue bills;~~
- (2) ~~bills drawn pursuant to special messages of the governor; and~~
- (3) may consider for veto override bills of [~~the last previous~~] a regular, [session vetoed by the governor] special or extraordinary session within the same legislative

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biennium."

SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election or at any special election prior to that date that may be called for that purpose.

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