

State of New Mexico
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FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION

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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT number 2 to HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 5,
as amended

Amendment sponsored by Senator Craig W. Brandt

1. On page 1, line 11, strike "SECTION" and insert in lieu thereof "SECTIONS 4 AND".

2. On page 1, line 12, after "MEXICO", insert "TO LIMIT TERMS OF LEGISLATORS,".

3. On page 1, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following new section:

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

"Members of the [legislature] senate shall be elected [as follows: ~~those senators from Bernalillo, Chaves, Curry, DeBaca, Grant, Lea, Lincoln, Luna, Sandoval, San Juan, San Miguel, Socorro, Taos, Torrance, Union and Valencia counties for a term of six years starting January 1, 1961, and after serving such terms shall be elected~~] for a term of four years [~~thereafter, those senators from all other counties for the terms of four years~~] and members of the house of representatives shall be elected for a term of two years. They shall be elected on the day provided by law for holding the general election of state officers or representatives in congress. If a vacancy occurs in the office of senator or member of the house of representatives, for any reason, the county commissioners of the county wherein the vacancy occurs shall fill such vacancy by appointment.

Such legislative appointments as provided in this section shall be for a term ending on December 31, subsequent to the next succeeding general election. A legislator shall serve a total of no

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more than sixteen years."

4. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.



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