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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to limiting the number of terms that a Member of Congress may serve.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. VITTER introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to limiting the number of terms that a Member of Congress may serve.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following article is proposed as an amendment
4 to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be
5 valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitu-
6 tion when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of
7 the several States within seven years after the date of its
8 submission by the Congress:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. No person who has served 6 terms as
 3 a Representative shall be eligible for election to the House
 4 of Representatives. For purposes of this section, the elec-
 5 tion of a person to fill a vacancy in the House of Rep-
 6 resentatives shall be included as 1 term in determining
 7 the number of terms that such person has served as a Rep-
 8 resentative if the person fills the vacancy for more than
 9 1 year.

10 “SECTION 2. No person who has served 2 terms as
 11 a Senator shall be eligible for election or appointment to
 12 the Senate. For purposes of this section, the election or
 13 appointment of a person to fill a vacancy in the Senate
 14 shall be included as 1 term in determining the number
 15 of terms that such person has served as a Senator if the
 16 person fills the vacancy for more than 3 years.

17 “SECTION 3. No term beginning before the date of
 18 the ratification of this article shall be taken into account
 19 in determining eligibility for election or appointment under
 20 this article.”.

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