

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 105

Short Title: Const. Amendment-Limit Governor/LG to 2 Terms. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Bert Jones.

For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Judiciary I, if favorable, Elections and Ethics Law

February 16, 2017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO LIMIT THE GOVERNOR AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR TO A
LIFETIME MAXIMUM OF TWO TERMS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Article III of the North Carolina Constitution reads as
rewritten:

"Sec. 2. Governor and Lieutenant Governor: election, term, and qualifications.

...

(2) Qualifications. No person shall be eligible for election to the office of Governor or
Lieutenant Governor unless, at the time of his election, he shall have attained the age of 30 years
and shall have been a citizen of the United States for five years and a resident of this State for two
years immediately preceding his election. ~~No~~ Beginning with terms of office commencing on or
after January 1, 2021, no person elected to the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor shall be
eligible for election to more than two ~~consecutive~~ terms of the same office."

SECTION 2. The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act shall be submitted to the
qualified voters of the State at the general election in November 2018, which election shall be
conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots, voting systems, or both
may be used in accordance with Chapter 163 of the General Statutes. The question to be used in
the voting systems and ballots shall be:

"[] FOR [] AGAINST

Constitutional amendment providing that no person may serve more than two terms as
the Governor or as the Lieutenant Governor."

SECTION 3. If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in favor of the
amendments set out in this act, the State Board of Elections shall certify the amendment to the
Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment so certified among the
permanent records of that office. The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act becomes effective
upon certification.

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.

