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# H. J. RES. 81

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States limiting the number of consecutive terms that a Senator or Representative may serve and providing for 4-year terms for Representatives.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 21, 2003

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

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

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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 7 years after the date of its sub-  
8       mission for ratification:

## 1 “ARTICLE

2 “SECTION 1. No person who has been a Senator for  
3 4 full consecutive terms shall again be a Senator.

4 “SEC. 2. No person who has been a Representative  
5 for 24 full consecutive years shall again be a Representa-  
6 tive.

7 “SEC. 3. The House of Representatives shall be com-  
8 posed of Members chosen every 4th year by the people  
9 of the several States.

10 “SEC. 4. For the purposes of this article, any term  
11 that began before the 1st day that this article is valid as  
12 part of the Constitution shall not be included in deter-  
13 mining the number of full consecutive terms that a person  
14 has been a Senator or Representative.”.

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