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# S. J. RES. 2

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

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 23 (legislative day, JANUARY 3), 2013

Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. PAUL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COBURN, Mr. LEE, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. TOOMEY, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and 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 (two-*  
3       *thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*  
4       lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-  
5       stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all  
6       intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
7       ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several  
8       States within seven years after the date of its submission  
9       by the Congress:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. No person who has served 3 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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