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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Offered January 14, 2004 Prefiled November 16, 2003

Proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article V of the Constitution of Virginia, relating to executive power and the Governor's term of office.

Patrons—Purkey, Amundson, Bland, Callahan, Landes, Marshall, D.W., May, Miles, Nutter, Orrock, Parrish, Plum, Rust, Shuler and Spruill; Senators: Blevins, Mims, Quayle, Wagner and Watkins

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, a majority of the members elected to each house agreeing, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Virginia be, and the same hereby is, proposed and referred to the General Assembly at its first regular session held after the next general election of members of the House of Delegates for its concurrence in conformity with the provisions of Section 1 of Article XII of the Constitution of Virginia, namely:

Amend Section 1 of Article V of the Constitution of Virginia as follows:

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE

Section 1. Executive power; Governor's term of office.

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The chief executive power of the Commonwealth shall be vested in a Governor. He shall hold office for a term commencing upon his inauguration on the Saturday after the second Wednesday in January, next succeeding his election, and ending in the fourth year thereafter immediately upon the inauguration of his successor. He No person shall be ineligible eligible to be elected more than two times to the same office for the term next succeeding that for which he was elected of Governor, and the Governor shall be ineligible to any other office during his term of service. Only persons who are first elected to the office of Governor in the year 2005 and thereafter shall be eligible to be elected to two successive terms as Governor.