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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 483

Offered January 19, 1995

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Virginia by adding in Article II a section numbered 5-A, relating to eligibility for election to the United States Congress.

Patrons—Newman, Dudley, Griffith and Wardrup

Referred to Committee on Rules

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 the Constitution of Virginia by adding in Article II a section numbered 5-A, as follows:

ARTICLE II

FRANCHISE AND OFFICERS Section 5-A. Eligibility for election to the Congress of the United States.

No person shall be eligible to be elected to more than two consecutive terms in the Senate of the United States representing the Commonwealth. No person shall be eligible to be elected to more than six consecutive terms in the House of Representatives of the United States representing the Commonwealth. No person, after serving the maximum number of terms, which shall include any part of a term served, shall be eligible for reelection to the same house until he has been out of office for no less than one full term. These limits shall not apply to service for less than one-half of a term of office occasioned by the filling of a vacancy. These limits shall apply to terms of office in the Congress beginning on and after January one, nineteen hundred ninety-seven.