Overview

The bill proposes three constitutional amendments: (1) to limit the regular legislative session in the odd-numbered year mainly to matters pertaining to the state budget; (2) to stagger the terms of senators between each redistricting; and (3) to reduce the age requirement for holding legislative office from 21 to 19 years.

Article 1

Section

1 Purpose. States the purpose of the amendment proposed in section 2 as fostering deliberation by providing focus.

2 Constitutional amendment. Proposes an amendment to the constitution that would limit the regular legislative session in the odd-numbered year to matters relating to the state budget and other matters requiring immediate attention.

3 Submission to voters. States the ballot question to be submitted to the voters in the 2000 election.

4 Effective date. Makes the amendment, if adopted, effective beginning with the legislative session in 2005.

Article 2

1 Constitutional amendment. Proposes an amendment to the constitution that would stagger the terms of senators between each redistricting. During the 10-year period between each redistricting, senators elected from one-third of the senate districts would serve terms of 4-4-2 years; another third would serve terms of 2-4-4 years; and another third, terms of 4-2-4 years.

2 Submission to voters. States the ballot question to be submitted to the voters in the 2000 election.

Article 3
Constitutional amendment. Proposes an amendment to the constitution that would reduce the age requirement for holding legislative office from 21 to 19 years.

Submission to voters. States the ballot question to be submitted to the voters in the 2000 election.