

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 34

Short Title: Term Limits Five Plus One.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Gamble; and Hensley.

Referred to: Judiciary I.

January 26, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROVIDE FOR TERM LIMITS FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article II of the Constitution of North Carolina is amended by adding a new section to read:

"Sec. 25. Limitation of consecutive terms.

(1) **Term limits.** No person shall be eligible for election to more than five consecutive terms of office as a member of the House of Representatives, nor to more than five consecutive terms of office as a member of the Senate. If a person fills a vacancy, it shall be considered election to a term for the purpose of this subsection if any of the service is in the first calendar year of the term.

(2) **Effectiveness.** Terms of office commencing prior to January 1, 1996, shall be considered for the purpose of this section except that this section does not forbid any person in office on that date from either:

(a) Completing that term of office; or

(b) Being elected to the term of office beginning January 1, 1997, if the person had served five, but not more than five, consecutive terms as of that date.

