

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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HOUSE BILL 748

Short Title: Term Limits for Legislators. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Everitt.

*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

May 3, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO CREATE TERM  
LIMITS FOR LEGISLATORS.

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. Term limit.**

(1) No person shall be eligible for election to more than six cumulative terms as a member  
of the General Assembly. If a person fills a vacancy, it shall not be considered as an election to  
a term for the purposes of this section.

(2) Terms of office beginning before January 1, 2023, shall not be considered for the  
purposes of this section."

**SECTION 2.** The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act shall be submitted to  
the qualified voters of the State at the general election in November 2022, which election shall  
be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots, voting systems, or  
both may be used in accordance with Chapter 163 of the General Statutes. The question to be  
used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

"[ ] FOR [ ] AGAINST

Constitutional amendment limiting members of the General Assembly to no more  
than six terms of office."

**SECTION 3.** If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in favor of the  
amendment set out in Section 1 of this act, the State Board of Elections shall certify the  
amendment to the Secretary of State. The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act becomes  
effective with the members elected in 2022. The Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment  
so certified among the permanent records of that office.

**SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

