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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

Introduced by: Senators Brown (Arnold), Brosz, Halverson, Ham, Reedy, Shoener, and Vitter
and Representatives Smidt, Belatti, Diedrich, Fitzgerald, Johnson (Doug),
Matthews, McNenny, Monroe, Munson (Donald), and Pummel

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election
2 an amendment to Article III, section 6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota,
3 relating to four-year legislative terms and legislative term limits.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, THE
5 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

6 Section 1. That at the next general election held in the state, the following amendment to
7 Article III, section 6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, as set forth in section 2
8 of this Joint Resolution, which is hereby agreed to, shall be submitted to the electors of the state
9 for approval.

10 Section 2. That Article III, section 6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be
11 amended to read as follows:

12 § 6. The terms of office of the members of the ~~Legislature~~ senate shall be four years and the
13 terms of office of the members of the house of representatives shall be two four years; they.
14 Legislators shall receive for their services the salary fixed by law under the provisions of § 2 of
15 Article XXI of this Constitution, and ~~five cents for every mile of~~ mileage for necessary travel in

1 going to and returning from the place of meeting of the Legislature on the most usual route.

2 No person may serve more than ~~four~~ three consecutive terms ~~or a total of eight consecutive~~
3 ~~years~~ in the senate and more than ~~four~~ three consecutive terms ~~or a total of eight consecutive~~
4 ~~years~~ in the house of representatives. However, this restriction does not apply to partial terms
5 to which a legislator may be appointed or to legislative service before January 1, 1993.

6 At the primary and general elections in the year 2000, the Legislature shall provide for the
7 election of one senator and two representatives from each district to four-year terms.

8 A regular session of the Legislature shall be held in each odd-numbered year and shall not
9 exceed forty legislative days, excluding Sundays, holidays, and legislative recess, except in cases
10 of impeachment, and members of the Legislature shall receive no other pay or perquisites except
11 salary and mileage.

12 A regular session of the Legislature shall be held in each even-numbered year beginning with
13 the year 1964 and shall not exceed thirty-five legislative days, excluding Sundays, holidays, and
14 legislative recess, except in cases of impeachment, and members of the Legislature shall receive
15 no other pay or perquisites except salary and mileage.