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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the City of Lakeland, Polk County;
 3 amending the amended Charter of the City of Lakeland,
 4 1976; revising limitations on length of service of the
 5 Mayor and City Commissioners; providing an effective date.

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 7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 9 Section 1. Section 11 of the amended Charter of the City
 10 of Lakeland, 1976, is amended to read:

11 Section 11. Qualification of members.

12 Members of the city commission shall have been residents of
 13 the city for one year, and have the qualifications of electors
 14 of the city. No one shall serve, or but for resignation would
 15 have served, more than twelve (12) consecutive years, or three
 16 (3) complete terms, whichever is longer, in the singular
 17 position of Mayor or Commissioner or more than sixteen (16)
 18 consecutive years, or four (4) complete terms, whichever is
 19 longer, in any combination of the positions of Mayor and
 20 Commissioner. The foregoing limitations shall not apply to any
 21 years or terms served prior to January 1, 1999, or to partial
 22 terms served thereafter, or to any years or terms served beyond
 23 the foregoing limitations as a result of election as a write-in
 24 candidate. Elective officers of the city shall not hold any
 25 other elective public office, shall not serve as employees of
 26 the City of Lakeland during their terms of office and shall not
 27 be interested in the profits or emoluments of any contract,
 28 work, or service for the city, and any such contract in which
 29 any officer or employee is, ~~or~~ may become interested, ~~or~~ shall be

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30 void, and so declared by the city commission. Any member ceasing
31 to possess the qualifications for office herein required shall
32 forfeit his office.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.