HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HCR 693 (2024)

Amendment No.

1 2 3 CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

Representative Bartleman offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

4 Remove everything after the resolving clause and insert: 5 That the Legislature of the State of Florida calls upon the 6 Congress of the United States to propose amendments to the 7 Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number 8 of terms to which a person may be elected as a member of the 9 United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the 10 number of terms to which a person may be elected as a member of 11 the United States Senate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the 164385

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14 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the 15 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of 16 the Florida delegation to the United States Congress. 17 18 _____ 19 TITLE AMENDMENT 20 Remove everything before the resolving clause and insert: 21 22 House Concurrent Resolution A concurrent resolution calling upon the Congress of 23 24 the United States to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on 25 the number of terms to which a person may be elected 26 27 as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of 28 29 terms to which a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate. 30 31 32 WHEREAS, a continuous and growing concern has been 33 expressed that the best interests of the nation will be served 34 by limiting the terms of members of Congress, and 35 WHEREAS, the voters of the State of Florida, by the 36 gathering of petition signatures, placed on the general election 37 ballot of 1992 a measure to limit the consecutive years of 164385 Approved For Filing: 12/21/2023 12:22:22 PM

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38 service for several offices, including the offices of United 39 States Representative and United States Senator, and 40 WHEREAS, the voters of Florida incorporated this limitation 41 into the State Constitution as Section 4 of Article VI, by an 42 approval vote that exceeded 76 percent in the general election 43 of 1992, and 44 WHEREAS, in 1995, the United States Supreme Court ruled in

U.S. Term Limits, Inc. v. Thornton, 514 U.S. 779 (1995), a fiveto-four decision, that the individual states did not possess the requisite authority to establish term limits, or additional qualifications, for persons elected to the United States House of Representatives or the United States Senate, NOW, THEREFORE,

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