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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit
the number of terms a Representative or Senator may serve.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. O'ROURKE submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to
the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United
States to limit the number of terms a Representative
or Senator may serve.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*
4 *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*
5 *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*
6 *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*
8 *States within seven years after the date of its submission*
9 *for ratification:*

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. No person who has been a Senator for
3 two terms shall again be eligible for election or appoint-
4 ment to the Senate.

5 “SECTION 2. No person who has been a Representa-
6 tive for four terms shall again be eligible for election to
7 the House of Representatives.

8 “SECTION 3. For purposes of this article, any term
9 a person serves as a Senator or Representative to fill a
10 vacancy shall not be included in determining the number
11 of terms that the person has been a Senator or Represent-
12 ative unless the period of time for which the person fills
13 the vacancy is greater than three years in the case of a
14 Senator or greater than one year in the case of a Rep-
15 resentative.

16 “SECTION 4. For the purposes of this article, any
17 term that began before the date of the ratification of this
18 article shall not be included in determining the number
19 of terms that a person has been a Senator or Representa-
20 tive.”.

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