

1 AN ACT proposing to amend Sections 30 and 31 of the Constitution of Kentucky
2 relating to elections of members of the General Assembly.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. Are you in favor of electing Senators in the Kentucky Senate to terms
5 of six years and of electing Representatives in the Kentucky House of Representatives to
6 terms of four years, beginning with members elected at the general election held in
7 November 2022, by amending Sections 30 and 31 of the Constitution of Kentucky to read
8 as stated below?

9 ➔Section 2. It is proposed that Section 30 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
10 amended to read as follows:

11 Members of the House of Representatives and Senators shall be elected at the
12 general election in even-numbered years for terms of ~~six~~^{four} years for Senators and
13 ~~four~~^{two} years for members of the House of Representatives. The term of office of
14 Representatives and Senators shall begin upon the first day of January of the year
15 succeeding their election.

16 ➔Section 3. It is proposed that Section 31 of the Constitution of Kentucky be
17 amended to read as follows:

18 At the general election to be held in November ~~2022~~^[, 1984], and every ~~six~~^{two}
19 years thereafter, there shall be elected for ~~six~~^{four} years one Senator in each ***even-***
20 ***numbered*** Senatorial District~~[in which the term of his predecessor in office will then~~
21 ~~expire and in every Representative District one Representative for two years].~~ ***At the***
22 ***general election to be held in November 2022, and every four years thereafter, there***
23 ***shall be elected for four years one Representative in every Representative District. At***
24 ***the general election to be held in November 2024, and every six years thereafter, there***
25 ***shall be elected for six years one Senator in each odd-numbered Senatorial District.***

26 ➔Section 4. It is further proposed as a part of this amendment and as a schedule
27 of transitional provisions, for the purposes of this amendment, and any other provisions

1 of the Constitution of Kentucky notwithstanding:

2 (1) The candidates for Representative and Senator that receive a certificate of
3 election for those elective offices following the regular election in November 2022 or
4 thereafter shall be subject to the provisions of this proposed amendment. The provisions
5 of this proposed amendment shall not apply to terms of office served prior to January 1,
6 2023, and to terms of office of Senators from odd-numbered Senatorial Districts
7 completed prior to January 1, 2025.

8 (2) No candidate or officeholder, other than those listed in subsection (1) of this
9 section, shall have his or her term of office affected by this proposed amendment.

10 ➔Section 5. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the
11 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided
12 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution, KRS 118.415, and under Sections 6
13 and 7 of this Act.

14 ➔Section 6. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the
15 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act and the
16 entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in
17 Sections 2 and 3 of this Act to be published at least one time in a newspaper of general
18 circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be published at the same time
19 and in the same manner the fact that the amendment will be submitted to the voters for
20 their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at which members of the General
21 Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by this section and KRS 118.415
22 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August preceding the election at which the
23 amendment is to be voted on.

24 ➔Section 7. Notwithstanding any language in KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the
25 Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August
26 preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be
27 chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the

1 United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September
2 preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice
3 President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this
4 Act and the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky
5 contained in Sections 2 and 3 of this Act to the county clerk of each county, and the
6 county clerk shall have the entirety of the question and the amendment, as so certified,
7 indicated on the ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as applicable to
8 the voting machines in use in each county or precinct.