Bill No. HCR 693 (2024)

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

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Representative Bartleman offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

4 Remove everything after the resolving clause and insert:

That the Legislature of the State of Florida calls upon the Congress of the United States to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms to which a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms to which a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate.

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

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President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove everything before the resolving clause and insert:

House Concurrent Resolution

A concurrent resolution calling upon the Congress of the United States to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms to which a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms to which a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate.

WHEREAS, a continuous and growing concern has been expressed that the best interests of the nation will be served by limiting the terms of members of Congress, and

WHEREAS, the voters of the State of Florida, by the gathering of petition signatures, placed on the general election ballot of 1992 a measure to limit the consecutive years of

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service	for	several	office	es, incl	luding	the	office	es of	United
States	Repre	esentativ	re and	United	States	s Ser	nator,	and	

WHEREAS, the voters of Florida incorporated this limitation into the State Constitution as Section 4 of Article VI, by an approval vote that exceeded 76 percent in the general election of 1992, and

WHEREAS, in 1995, the United States Supreme Court ruled in U.S. Term Limits, Inc. v. Thornton, 514 U.S. 779 (1995), a five-to-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,