

STATE OF ILLINOIS
98th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TRANSCRIPTION DEBATE

6th Legislative Day

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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 193, offered by Speaker Madigan, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 194, offered by Representative Chapa LaVia, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 195, offered by Representative Durkin, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 196, offered by Representative Davis, William, a Bill for an Act making appropriations. House Bill 197, offered by Representative Mayfield, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. Introduction of House Joint Resolution Constitutional... Constitutional Amendment #5 offered by Representative Fortner.

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend Article IV of the Illinois Constitution by changing Section 6 as follows:

ARTICLE IV

THE LEGISLATURE

SECTION 6. ORGANIZATION

- (a) A majority of the members elected to each house constitutes a quorum.
- (b) On the first day of the January session of the General Assembly in odd-numbered years, the Secretary of State shall convene the House of Representatives to elect from

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its membership a Speaker of the House of Representatives as presiding officer, and the Governor shall convene the Senate to elect from its membership a President of the Senate as presiding officer. A person may serve no more than a total of 8 years in any one of the following offices and no more than a combined total of 12 years in any 2 or more of the following offices: Speaker of the House of Representatives, President of the Senate, Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, or Minority Leader of the Senate; provided that service before the second Wednesday in January of 2016 shall not be considered in the calculation of a person's service.

(c) For purposes of powers of appointment conferred by this Constitution, the Minority Leader of either house is a member of the numerically strongest political party other than the party to which the Speaker or the President belongs, as the case may be.

(d) Each house shall determine the rules of its proceedings, judge the elections, returns and qualifications of its members and choose its officers. No member shall be expelled by either house, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members elected to that house. A member may be expelled only once for the same offense. Each house may punish by imprisonment any person, not a member, guilty of disrespect to the house by disorderly or contemptuous behavior in its presence. Imprisonment shall not extend beyond twenty-four hours at one time unless the person persists in disorderly or contemptuous behavior.

SCHEDULE

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This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act. This was the First Reading of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #5. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."