



## 2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 12

March 7, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives SPREITZER, BILLINGS, BROSTOFF, CROWLEY, DOYLE, EMERSON, FIELDS, GOYKE, HEBL, HESSELBEIN, HINTZ, MEYERS, OHNSTAD, POPE, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SUBECK, SINICKI, C. TAYLOR, VRUWINK and ZAMARRIPA, cosponsored by Senators RINGHAND, CARPENTER, HANSEN, LARSON, L. TAYLOR and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Assembly Organization.

- 1     **To create** section 35 of article IV of the constitution; **relating to:** prohibiting the  
2             assembly and senate from passing certain bills following a general election  
3             (first consideration).

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2019 legislature on first consideration, provides that after the November general election, the assembly and the senate may not pass any bill that affects any of the following until after the next political year commences:

1. The powers and duties of the legislature, legislative leaders, legislative committees, or any other unit of the legislature.
2. The powers and duties of the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state treasurer, or superintendent of public instruction.
3. The powers, duties, and election of any justice of the supreme court, court of appeals judge, or circuit court judge.
4. The powers, duties, and jurisdiction of the supreme court or any appeals or circuit court.
5. The powers, duties, and composition of any state agency or other public entity created by law.

A constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

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- 4             **Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:**

