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January 24, 2001

### MEMORANDUM

To: Representative Meyerhofer

From: Attorney Peter J. Dykman, General Counsel

Re: LRB-2194 Term limit for governor

The attached draft was prepared at your request. Please review it carefully to ensure that it is accurate and satisfies your intent. If it does and you would like it jacketed for introduction, please indicate below for which house you would like the draft jacketed and return this memorandum to our office. If you have any questions about jacketing, please call our program assistants at 266-3561. Please allow one day for jacketing.

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2 ratification of this subsection, a person may not serve more than 2 ~~consecutive~~ terms  
3 as governor. Time served during an initial partial term of less than 2 years shall not  
4 be counted as part of the limit.

5 **SECTION 3. Numbering of new provision.** The new subsection (2) of section  
6 2 of article V of the constitution created in this joint resolution shall be designated  
7 by the next higher open whole subsection number in that section in that article if,  
8 before the ratification by the people of the amendment proposed in this joint  
9 resolution, any other ratified amendment has created a subsection (2) of section 2 of  
10 article V of the constitution of this state. If one or more joint resolutions create a  
11 subsection (2) of section 2 of article V simultaneously with the ratification by the  
12 people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, the subsections created  
13 shall be numbered and placed in a sequence so that the subsections created by the  
14 joint resolution having the lowest enrolled joint resolution number have the numbers  
15 designated in that joint resolution and the subsections created by the other joint  
16 resolutions have numbers that are in the same ascending order as are the numbers  
17 of the enrolled joint resolutions creating the subsections.

18 ***Be it further resolved, That*** this proposed amendment be referred to the  
19 legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for 3  
20 months previous to the time of holding such election.

21 (END)