

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

2 **49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 10, SECTION 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF  
12 NEW MEXICO TO LIMIT COUNTY OFFICIALS TO THREE CONSECUTIVE TERMS  
13 INSTEAD OF TWO.

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15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 10, Section 2  
17 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

18 "A. In every county all elected officials shall  
19 serve four-year terms, subject to the provisions of Subsection  
20 B of this section.

21 B. In those counties that prior to 1992 have not  
22 had four-year terms for elected officials, the assessor,  
23 sheriff and probate judge shall be elected to four-year terms  
24 and the treasurer and clerk shall be elected to two-year terms  
25 in the first election following the adoption of this amendment.

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1 In subsequent elections, the treasurer and clerk shall be  
2 elected to four-year terms.

3 C. To provide for staggered county commission  
4 terms, in counties with three county commissioners, the terms  
5 of no more than two commissioners shall expire in the same  
6 year; and in counties with five county commissioners, the terms  
7 of no more than three commissioners shall expire in the same  
8 year.

9 D. All county officers, after having served [~~two~~]  
10 three consecutive four-year terms, shall be ineligible to hold  
11 any county office for two years thereafter."

12 Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution  
13 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
14 rejection at the next general election or at any special  
15 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
16 purpose.