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Sponsor Statement

House Joint Resolution 27

CONST. AM: TERM LIMITS OF LEGISLATORS

House Joint Resolution 27 sets term limits for Legislators in the Alaska House and Senate. An Alaskan is eligible to serve continuously for up to eight years in one legislative body. After eight years in that legislative body, the individual would be required to take a break in service from that body. That person would be eligible to serve a subsequent eight years in the other body, take a one-term break from the original body, or retire from public legislative service.

Alaskans are represented by a citizen legislature, and as such, it is imperative to ensure that legislative representation reflects, as much as possible, the interests and professions of all Alaskans. Limiting the length of continuous service will allow more Alaskans the opportunity to serve the Alaskan public in the state legislature. Requiring breaks in service will also promote the regular infusion of fresh perspectives and ideas into the legislative process.

Alaskan voters, through the initiative process, have already voted to support term limits for Congressional and Senate seats. Fifteen states currently have term limits, and the Governor of Alaska is prohibited against serving more than two full successive terms.

HJR 27 will not affect the terms of current legislators, or the term of any legislator subject to re-election in 2018 even if such terms would result in a length of continuous services provided for in HJR 27.

Please join me in supporting a dynamic and effective legislature through implementation of term limits by supporting House Joint Resolution 27.

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HJR27-LEG-LEG-02-16-18
Title: CONST. AM: TERM LIMITS OF LEGISLATORS
Sponsor: KITO
Requester: HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS

Department:
Appropriation:
Allocation:
OMB Component Number: 0

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2019	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2019 Request	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2019	FY 2019					
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2018) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2019) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency?
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

INITIAL VERSION. ONE PAGE ZERO NOTE.

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I support HJR 27, term limits for legislators, and urge prompt action to allow this to be on the ballot in the fall of 2018. Doing so will allow plenty of opportunity for discussion and education statewide ,and ultimately voters will decide.

Juneau has had term limits for Assemblymembers (and appointed boards and commissions) for many years. This allows fresh views, perspectives, and energy. Term limits for Governor also serve to ensure that the same person does not continue to be elected to incumbency advantage.

Regards,

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