

[Similar Matter Filed During Past Session —
See Senate No. 1645 of 1989.]

SENATE No. 1463

By Mr. Webber, a petition (accompanied by proposal, Senate, No. 1463) of Peter C. Webber for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to limit annual sessions of the General Court to a period of seven months. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety.

PROPOSAL FOR A LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO
LIMIT ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL COURT TO A PERIOD OF SEVEN
MONTHS.

1 A majority of all the members elected to the Senate and House
2 of Representatives, in joint session, hereby declares it to be
3 expedient to alter the Constitution by the adoption of the
4 following Article of Amendment, to the end that it may become
5 a part of the Constitution [if similarly agreed to in a joint session
6 of the next General Court and approved by the people at the state
7 election next following]:

8 **ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.**

9 Article X of the articles of amendment is hereby amended by
10 striking out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the
11 following sentence: — And the General Court shall be dissolved
12 not later than the Friday next preceding the first Monday in
13 August of each year, without any proclamation or other act of
14 the Governor.

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