
By Ms. Evans of Wayland, petition of Nancy H. Evans, Richard R. Tisei, Angelo M. Scaccia, Christine E. Canavan and Mary Jeanette Murray for a legislative amendment to the Constitution to limit the terms of judges. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

PROPOSAL FOR A LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT
THE TERMS OF JUDGES

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

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

1 Section 1 of chapter 2 of part 2 of the Constitution of the Com-
2 monwealth is hereby amended by striking out Article 9 and
3 inserting in place thereof the following article:—
4 Article 9. All judicial officers shall be nominated and appointed
5 by the governor, by and with the consent of the council, for a term
6 of ten years and every such nomination shall be made by the gov-
7 ernor and made at least seven days prior to such appointment. A
8 judicial officer may be re-nominated and appointed for additional
9 ten year term in the same manner as provided above. This article
10 shall be applicable to all judicial officers serving on the effective
11 date of this article and any judicial officer who has served for ten
12 or more years shall be deemed removed.

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