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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit the number of consecutive terms that a Member of Congress may serve.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MAGAZINER (for himself and Ms. PEREZ) submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*
4 *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*
5 *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*
6 *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*
8 *States within seven years after the date of its submission*
9 *for ratification:*

1 "ARTICLE —

2 "SECTION 1. No person who has been a Senator for
3 two consecutive terms shall again be eligible for election
4 or appointment to the Senate until the date that is one
5 year after the end of such second consecutive term.

6 "SECTION 2. No person who has been a Representa-
7 tive for five consecutive terms shall again be eligible for
8 election to the House of Representatives until the date
9 that is one year after the end of the fifth consecutive term.

10 "SECTION 3. For purposes of this article, any term
11 a person serves as a Senator or Representative to fill a
12 vacancy shall not be included in determining the number
13 of consecutive terms that the person has been a Senator
14 or Representative unless the period of time for which the
15 person fills the vacancy is greater than three years in the
16 case of a Senator or greater than one year in the case
17 of a Representative.

18 "SECTION 4. For the purposes of this article, any
19 term that began before the date of the ratification of this
20 article shall not be included in determining the number
21 of consecutive terms that a person has been a Senator or
22 Representative.”.

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