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Support the Constitutional Amendment for Term Limits in Georgia

On behalf of FreedomWorks’ activist community in Georgia, I urge you to contact your state representative and ask him or her to support, HR 37, sponsored by state Reps. Michael Caldwell (R-Woodstock), John Pezold (R-Fortson), Scot Turner (R-Holly Springs), and Wes Cantrell (R-Woodstock).

HR 37 would amend the Constitution of the State of Georgia to limit the number of terms state representatives and state senators can serve to four. Members of both chambers are elected to two-year terms in even years. A partial term is counted toward the term limit. After one full term has intervened, previously term limited state representatives and state senators are eligible to run again.

This constitutional amendment puts the question to Georgia voters, simply asking, “Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide term limits for members of the Senate and members of the House of Representatives?” Voters, if allowed by the Georgia General Assembly, would answer “yes” or “no.”

In past years, the Georgia General Assembly has been relatively free in its use of ballot questions, including constitutional amendments, referenda to appease lobbyists who work for certain big-moneyed special interest groups. HR 37 purposes a ballot question that could, if approved by voters, return the seats of both chambers of the Georgia General Assembly to the people.

Fifteen states already have term limits for state lawmakers in place. These states include Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Missouri, Ohio, and Oklahoma. We hope that Georgia will be the next state added to the list. Please contact your state representative and ask him or her to support HR 37 to bring term limits to the State of Georgia.

Sincerely,

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