

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying proposal for constitutional amendment:

Proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution regarding the term length of Representatives and Senators.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>5/31/2017</i>

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Paul McMurtry for a legislative amendment to the Constitution relative to the terms of office for Representatives and Senators. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

Proposal for a legislative amendment to the Constitution regarding the term length of Representatives and Senators.

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

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

1 SECTION 1. The first sentence of section 1 of Article LXIV of the constitution is hereby
2 amended by striking out the word “biennially” and inserting in place thereof the following
3 word:- quadrennially.

4 SECTION 2. The last sentence of said section 1 of said Article LXIV is hereby amended
5 by striking out the word “third” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- fifth.