

HOUSE BILL No. 1179

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 2-2.1-5.

Synopsis: Term limits. Provides that an individual elected or appointed as a state senator or state representative after November 3, 2026, may serve until the earlier of the following: (1) The date on which the individual completes 20 total combined years of service as a state senator or state representative. (2) The individual's seventieth birthday.

Effective: July 1, 2026.

Shackleford

January 5, 2026, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections and Apportionment.



Introduced

Second Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2026)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 2-2.1-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOW [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
3 2026]:

4 **Chapter 5. Legislative Term Limits**

5 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies to an individual elected or appointed
6 as a state senator or state representative after November 3, 2026.**

7 **Sec. 2. An individual may serve as a state senator or state
8 representative until the earlier of the following:**

9 **(1) The date on which the individual completes twenty (20)
10 total combined years of service as a state senator or state
11 representative.**

12 **(2) The individual's seventieth birthday.**

