

Senate Resolution 23

By: Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Albers of the 56th, Beach of the 21st and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Applying to the United States Congress to call a convention under Article V of the
2 Constitution of the United States limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of
3 the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a
4 member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of
5 terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate; and for other
6 purposes.

7 WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States requires Congress to call a
8 convention limited to proposing amendments to the Constitution upon application of
9 two-thirds of the states; and

10 WHEREAS, limiting the terms of members of the United States House of Representatives
11 and United States Senate would be in the most immediate and best interest of the citizens of
12 the nation.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 GEORGIA that this body does hereby apply to the United States Congress to call a
15 convention pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States for the sole and
16 express purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set

17 a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States
18 House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be
19 elected as a member of the United States Senate.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this application shall be considered as covering the same
21 subject matter as the applications from other states to Congress to call a convention to set a
22 limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected to the House of Representatives
23 of the United States and the Senate of the United States; and this application shall be
24 aggregated with those of other states for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds of states
25 necessary to require Congress to call a limited convention on this subject, but shall not be
26 aggregated with any other applications on any other subject.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Assembly of Georgia insists that the
28 convention be solely limited to strict consideration of the subject matter contained in this
29 resolution and that the United States Congress enact a severe criminal penalty for persons
30 who violate the finite scope of the call.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this application constitutes a continuing application in
32 accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States of America until the
33 legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications on the same
34 subject.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Speaker of the House of Representatives is
36 authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for
37 distribution to the President and Secretary of the Senate of the United States; to the Speaker,
38 Clerk, and Judiciary Committee Chairperson of the House of Representatives of the United

39 States; to members of the General Assembly of Georgia; and to the presiding officers of each
40 of the legislative houses in the several states, requesting their cooperation.