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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

H. F. No. 1849

- 03/03/2025 Authored by Gordon, Van Binsbergen, Allen, Knudsen, Joy and others
- 03/13/2025 The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Policy
- 03/12/2026 By motion, recalled and re-referred to the Committee on Elections Finance and Government Operations
- 05/04/2026 Adoption of Report: Amended and re-referred to the Committee on Rules and Legislative Administration
- Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register
- Read for the Second Time

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to elections; providing term limits for governor and lieutenant governor;

1.3 proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article V, section 2.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.**

1.6 An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the amendment

1.7 is adopted, article V, section 2, will read:

1.8 Sec. 2. The term of office for the governor and lieutenant governor is four years and

1.9 until a successor is chosen and qualified. Each shall have attained the age of 25 years and,

1.10 shall have been a bona fide resident of the state for one year next preceding his election,

1.11 and shall be a citizen of the United States. A person must not be elected more than twice to

1.12 the office of governor, nor more than twice to the office of lieutenant governor.

1.13 Sec. 2. **SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.**

1.14 (a) The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2026 general election.

1.15 The question submitted must be:

1.16 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to place a limit of two terms on the offices

1.17 of governor and lieutenant governor beginning with candidates elected in 2026?

1.18 Yes

1.19 No "

2.1 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 204D.15, subdivision 1, the title for
2.2 the question submitted to the people under paragraph (a) shall be "A constitutional
2.3 amendment to place term limits on the offices of governor and lieutenant governor."

2.4 Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY.

2.5 Elections prior to the 2026 general election must not be used for purposes of applying
2.6 the term limits imposed by the amendment in this act.