



State of Tennessee

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 710

By Kelsey, Bell, Beavers

A RESOLUTION proposing amendment of Article VI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to judges of the appellate courts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed:

That Article VI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the first and second sentences and by substituting instead the following:

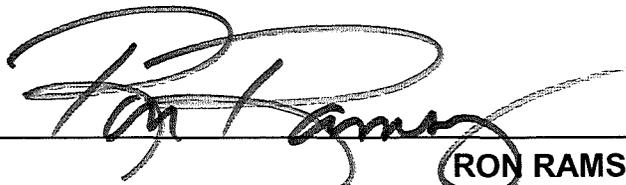
Judges of the Supreme Court or any intermediate appellate court shall be appointed for a full term or to fill a vacancy by and at the discretion of the governor; shall be confirmed by the Legislature; and thereafter, shall be elected in a retention election by the qualified voters of the state. Confirmation by default occurs if the Legislature fails to reject an appointee within sixty calendar days of either the date of appointment, if made during the annual legislative session, or the convening date of the next annual legislative session, if made out of session. The Legislature is authorized to prescribe such provisions as may be necessary to carry out Sections two and three of this article.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment be referred to the One Hundred Eighth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published in compliance with Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Senate deliver copies of this resolution to the secretary of state.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 710

ADOPTED: April 26, 2012



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Senate Chamber
State of Tennessee

RUSSELL A. HUMPHREY
CHIEF CLERK

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK

2nd FLOOR, STATE CAPITOL
TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243
PHONE (615) 741-2730
FAX (615) 741-7100

May 4, 2012

Mr. Secretary of State,

I am directed to transmit to you Senate Joint Resolution No. 710, pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee. Senate Joint Resolution 710 was read in the Senate on April 16, 2012, April 18, 2012, and adopted after third reading on April 23, 2012 by a majority vote of the Senate of the One Hundred and Seventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

Senate Joint Resolution 710 was then transmitted to the House, read three separate times on three separate days, and was concurred in on April 26, 2012 by a majority vote of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Seventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. A. Humphrey".

Russell A. Humphrey
Chief Clerk

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to return to the Senate, Senate Joint Resolution No. 710.

Senate Joint Resolution 710 was read three separate times on three separate days and concurred in by over a two thirds majority vote of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Seventh General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution of Tennessee.

**April 26, 2012
Date**

**Joe McCord
Chief Clerk**