SENATE BILL No. 153

By Committee on Local Government

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AN ACT concerning counties; establishing procedures for the adoption of term limits for members of the board of county commissioners.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The board of county commissioners of any county, by resolution, may submit to the electorate the question of establishing term limits for members of the board of county commissioners. The resolution shall state the number of terms a person may serve as a board member. No such resolution shall take effect until it has been approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the county voting at the next general election.

- (b) Upon presentation of a petition to the board of county commissioners requesting a specific term limit be established for members of the board of county commissioners signed by qualified electors equal in number to not less than 5% of the qualified electors of the county, the proposition shall be submitted to the electorate at the next general election.
- (c) A proposition to abolish term limits established for members of the board of county commissioners shall be presented to the electorate in the same manner as provided in subsections (a) and (b). No such proposition shall be presented to the electorate within four years of the establishment of term limits.
- (d) Any term limit established pursuant to this section shall be applied prospectively. A partial term shall not be considered a term for limitation purposes.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.