

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

**HOUSE JOINT  
RESOLUTION NO. 199**

**103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE JONES (88).

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

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**JOINT RESOLUTION**

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 26 of Article V of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the retirement of judges.

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*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:*

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next  
2 following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the  
3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for  
4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article V of the Constitution of the state of  
5 Missouri:

Section A. Section 26, Article V, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new  
2 section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 26, to read as follows:

Section 26. 1. All judges other than municipal judges shall retire at the age of  
2 ~~seventy~~ **seventy-five** years, except as provided in the schedule to this article, under a  
3 retirement plan provided by law.

4 2. All judges may retire at an earlier age authorized by law and may participate in a  
5 retirement plan provided by law.

6 3. Any retired judge, associate circuit judge or commissioner, with his **or her**  
7 consent, may be assigned by the supreme court as a senior judge to any court in this state or as

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

8 a special commissioner. When serving as a senior judge he **or she** shall have the same powers  
9 as an active judge.

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