

Third Northern Mariana Islands Constitutional Convention

Delegate Proposal No. 55

Date: May 2,1995

It is proposed that a constitutional amendment be prepared that does the following:

Reduces the size of the Senate from 9 to 6, with 2 from Saipan and the Northern Islands, 2 from Tinian and Aguiguan, and 2 from Rota.

Provides that the Lieutenant Governor is the Presiding Officer of the Senate and can vote only in cases of a tie.

Increases the age requirement to run for this office from 25 to 35.

Limits the term of members of the Senate to two terms.

Requires five years residency in the CNMI before running for office.

Deletes the language permitting a fourth senatorial district if the population of the Northern Islands reaches 1,000 persons.

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CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AMENDED: Art. II, Sec. 2

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED: None