

**ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LR44CA**

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**Hearing Date:** Friday February 04, 2011  
**Committee On:** Executive Board  
**Introducer:** Pirsch  
**One Liner:** Constitutional amendment changing regular legislative sessions to odd-numbered years

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 9 Senators Christensen, Fischer, Flood, Karpisek, Langemeier, Lathrop, Nelson, Pahls, Wightman

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Pete Pirsch

**Representing:**  
Introducer

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

At the general election in November 2012, voters would be given the opportunity to amend Article III, sections 6 and 10, to provide for regular sessions only in odd-numbered years. Each session will begin on the first Wednesday in February. The terms of the members of the Legislature would commence on the first day of the regular session, (first Wednesday in February) and notwithstanding Article III, section 7, (which provides that all members shall be elected for a term of four years) the preceding terms would terminate on such date (first Wednesday in February).

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John Wightman, Chairperson