



Your Question:

You asked for information on term limits for state board of education members.

Our Response:

State boards of education differ in many ways, and Education Commission of the States captures some of those differences in this resource, [50-State Comparison: K-12 Governance Structures](#). Though this resource did not compare term limits of state boards of education, we identified 19 states that specify term limits in the table below. To create this table, we looked to citations from our 50-State Comparison and cross-referenced these with NASBE’s [state profile](#) for each state.

State	Term limit	Citation
Arkansas	Board members may serve a single term of seven years.	Ark. Code Ann. § 6-11-101
Colorado	Two-term limit.	Colo. Const. art. XVIII, § 11
Florida	Board members may be reappointed for additional terms not to exceed 8 years of consecutive service.	Fla. Stat. Ann. § 1001.01
Hawaii	Three-term limit.	NASBE profile
Illinois	Two-term limit.	NASBE profile
Louisiana	No person who has served for more than two- and one-half terms in three consecutive terms may be elected or appointed for the succeeding term.	La. Const. Ann. art. VIII, § 3
Maine	Two-term limit.	Me. Rev. Stat. tit. 20-A, § 401
Maryland	Two-term limit.	Md. Code Ann., Educ. § 2-202
Massachusetts	Two-term limit.	Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 15, § 1E
Nevada	Three-term limit for elected members.	N.R.S. 385.021
New Hampshire	Three-term limit.	N.H. Rev. Stat. § 21-N:10
Ohio	Two-term limit.	R.C. § 3301.02
Oregon	Two-term limit.	O.R.S. § 326.021
Rhode Island	Three-term limit.	Gen.Laws 1956, § 16-97-1
South Dakota	Three-term limit.	SDCL § 1-45-6.1
Vermont	One-term limit.	16 V.S.A. § 161
Virginia	Two-term limit.	VA Code Ann. § 22.1-9
Washington	Two-term limit.	Wash. Rev. Code Ann. 28A.305.011
Wyoming	One-term limit.	W.S.1977 § 21-2-301