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SUMMARY

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to establish Independent Public Service Compensation Commission. Provides that specified individuals are ineligible for membership on commission. Directs commission to establish salaries for specified public officials. Provides that moneys sufficient to pay for salaries are appropriated from General Fund upon commission's adoption of its determinations.

Refers proposed amendment to people for their approval or rejection at next regular general election.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

PARAGRAPH 1. The Constitution of the State of Oregon is amended by creating a new section 2 to be added to and made a part of Article XIII, such section to read:

SECTION 2. (1) The Independent Public Service Compensation Commission is to be established in the manner provided by law.

(2) None of the following may be a member of the commission:

(a) An officer or employee of the State of Oregon;

(b) An individual required by law to register with any state agency as a lobbyist; or

(c) An immediate family member of an individual described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection.

(3) The Legislative Assembly may, by law, establish classes of individuals ineligible for membership on the commission in addition to those specified in subsection (2) of this section.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **(4)(a) Once established, the commission shall determine the**
2 **amounts of the salaries to be paid to the officials specified in sub-**
3 **section (5) of this section, notwithstanding section 29, Article IV, and**
4 **section 1, Article VII (Amended) of this Constitution. The determi-**
5 **nations of the commission constitute the salaries to be paid to the**
6 **specified officials.**

7 **(b) The commission shall make its determinations before January**
8 **30 of each odd-numbered year to be effective for the biennium begin-**
9 **ning July 1 of that year.**

10 **(5) The commission shall establish salaries for the following offi-**
11 **cials:**

12 **(a) Governor;**

13 **(b) Secretary of State;**

14 **(c) State Treasurer;**

15 **(d) Attorney General;**

16 **(e) Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries or any**
17 **successor agency;**

18 **(f) Judges of the Supreme Court;**

19 **(g) Judges of other courts described in section 1, Article VII**
20 **(Amended) of this Constitution;**

21 **(h) State Senator; and**

22 **(i) State Representative.**

23 **(6) The commission may establish different salaries for different**
24 **classes of officials within the categories described in paragraphs (f) to**
25 **(i) of subsection (5) of this section.**

26 **(7) Upon the commission's adoption of its determinations, moneys**
27 **sufficient to pay the salaries determined by the commission are**
28 **deemed to be appropriated from the General Fund for the biennium in**
29 **which the determinations are effective, notwithstanding section 4,**
30 **Article IX of this Constitution.**

31 **(8) Nothing in this section creates or requires the creation of any**

1 **state office.**

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3 **PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall**
4 **be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next**
5 **regular general election held throughout this state.**

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