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SUMMARY

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution to provide that member of Legislative Assembly who, without permission or excuse, does not attend 10 or more scheduled legislative floor sessions of Legislative Assembly is deemed to be engaging in disorderly behavior and is disqualified from holding office as Senator or Representative for term following member's current term of office.

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

JOINT RESOLUTION

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

PARAGRAPH 1. Section 15, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to read:

5 Sec. 15. Either house may punish its members for disorderly behavior,

and may with the concurrence of two thirds, expel a member; but not a sec-

ond time for the same cause. Failure to attend, without permission or

excuse, 10 or more scheduled legislative floor sessions of the house the

unexcused and absent member is a part of that are called to transact

business during a regular or special session of the Legislative Assem-

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- (1) Is disorderly behavior under this section; and
- 13 (2) Shall disqualify the member from holding office as a Senator or 14 a Representative for the term following the member's current term

15 **of office.**[—]

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PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall

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- 1 be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next
- 2 regular general election held throughout this state.

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