

House Joint Resolution 22

Sponsored by Representative WILDE

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution that provides that if senator or representative is serving on active deployment as member of military of this state or of United States for more than 30 but not more than 270 consecutive days and is unable to undertake duties of office of senator or representative, commissioners of county or counties within district that senator or representative is elected to represent shall appoint person to represent district until previously elected senator or representative resumes duties of office.

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. Section 3, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to read:

Sec. 3. (1) The senators and representatives shall be chosen by the electors of the respective counties or districts or subdistricts within a county or district into which the state may from time to time be divided by law.

(2)(a) If a vacancy occurs in the office of senator or representative from any county or district or subdistrict, the vacancy shall be filled as may be provided by law.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this subsection, a person who is appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of senator or representative must be an inhabitant of the district the person is appointed to represent for at least one year next preceding the date of the appointment.

(c) For purposes of an appointment occurring during the period beginning on January 1 of the year a reapportionment becomes operative under section 6 of this Article, the person must have been an inhabitant of the district for one year next preceding the date of the appointment or from January 1 of the year the reapportionment becomes operative to the date of the appointment, whichever is less.

(3)(a) If a senator or representative is serving on an active deployment as a member of the military of this state or of the United States for more than 30 but not more than 270 consecutive days and is unable to undertake the duties of the office of senator or representative, the commissioners of the county or counties within the district that the senator or representative is elected to represent shall appoint a person to represent the district until the previously elected senator or representative resumes the duties of the office.

(b) A person that the commissioners appoint as provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection must qualify for the office as provided in section 8 of this Article and must belong to the same political party as the senator or representative the person replaces.

PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the

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 **people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout**
2 **this state.**

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