LC 0058-EXPLAN (SJR 34, 2023) 12/28/23 (DFY/ps)

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## AMENDS CONSTITUTION: CREATES COMMISSION TO DETERMINE SALARIES FOR SPECIFIED OFFICIALS

Referred to the Electorate of Oregon by the Legislative Assembly to be voted on at the General Election, November 5, 2024.

1	Explanation
2	By the Joint Committee on Ballot Measure Titles and Explanatory Statements pursuant to
3	section 1, chapter 366, Oregon Laws 2023.
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5	Ballot Measure amends the Oregon Constitution to create a commission that is
6	authorized to determine the salaries paid by the state to the Governor, the Secretary of
7	State, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor
8	and Industries, judges of the Supreme Court, judges of other courts under the administration
9	of the judicial branch of state government, state Senators, state Representatives and distric
10	attorneys. Currently, the salaries paid by the state to these officials are determined by the
11	Legislative Assembly and set forth in statute.
12	The measure provides that the membership of the commission is to be established
13	by law. The measure specifies that the following classes of individuals are ineligible for
14	membership: officers or employees of the State of Oregon, individuals required to register

1	as lobbyists, and immediate family members of such officers, employees and individuals
2	required to register as lobbyists.
3	The measure provides that when the commission adopts its salary determinations,
4	moneys sufficient to pay the salaries are automatically appropriated from the General Fund.
5	This is an exception to the general requirement of Article IX, section 4, of the Oregon
6	Constitution, that an appropriation by law is necessary to expend moneys from the State
7	Treasury.
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