

B-Engrossed
Senate Joint Resolution 34

Ordered by the House June 24
Including Senate Amendments dated June 20 and House Amendments
dated June 24

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES

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.

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.

(4)(a) Once established, the commission shall determine the amounts of the salaries to be paid to the officials specified in subsection (5) of this section, notwithstanding section 29, Article IV, and section 1, Article VII (Amended) of this Constitution. The determinations of the commission constitute the salaries to be paid by the state to the specified officials.

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

(5) The commission shall establish salaries for the following officials:

(a) Governor;

(b) Secretary of State;

(c) State Treasurer;

(d) Attorney General;

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

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 **(f) Judges of the Supreme Court;**
2 **(g) Judges of other courts under the administration of the judicial branch of state gov-**
3 **ernment;**
4 **(h) State Senator;**
5 **(i) State Representative; and**
6 **(j) District attorneys.**
7 **(6) The commission may establish different salaries for different classes of officials**
8 **within the categories described in paragraphs (f) to (j) of subsection (5) of this section.**
9 **(7) The compensation of a judge shall not be diminished during the term for which the**
10 **judge is elected.**
11 **(8) Upon the commission's adoption of its determinations, moneys sufficient to pay the**
12 **salaries determined by the commission are deemed to be appropriated from the General Fund**
13 **for the biennium in which the determinations are effective, notwithstanding section 4, Arti-**
14 **cle IX of this Constitution.**
15 **(9) Nothing in this section creates or requires the creation of any state office.**
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17 **PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the**
18 **people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout**
19 **this state.**
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