

MEASURE NO. _____

BALLOT TITLE

**AMENDS CONSTITUTION: ESTABLISHES “INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SERVICE
COMPENSATION COMMISSION” TO DETERMINE SALARIES FOR SPECIFIED OFFICIALS;
ELIMINATES LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY TO SET SUCH SALARIES**

Result of “Yes” Vote: “Yes” vote amends Oregon Constitution to establish a commission to determine salaries paid by state to specified officials, replacing current practice of establishing such salaries by legislation; provides that determinations of the commission are automatically funded.

Result of “No” Vote: “No” vote retains current law whereby salaries paid by state to specified officials are established by legislation.

Summary: Under current law, the salaries paid by the state to many public officials are set by statute and can be changed only through legislation. This measure authorizes establishment of a body named the Independent Public Service Compensation Commission to determine salaries paid by the state to the Governor, the Secretary of State, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries, judges of the Supreme Court, judges of other courts under the administration of the judicial branch of state government, state Senators, state Representatives and district attorneys. Determinations of the commission would not be subject to review or modification by the Legislative Assembly, the Governor or any other official. The measure provides that the membership of the commission is to be established by law, except that the following classes of individuals are ineligible for membership: officers and employees of the state, lobbyists, and immediate family members of such officers, employees and lobbyists. The measure provides that moneys sufficient to pay for the commission’s salary determinations are automatically appropriated from the General Fund without the need for a further appropriation by law.
