

House Joint Resolution 14

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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**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The measure removes the language that would disqualify a member of the LA for being absent 10 or more times. The measure requires voter approval. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).

Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to remove the provision that disqualifies a member of the Legislative Assembly from holding office for the term following the election after the member's current term is completed if the member fails to attend 10 or more legislative floor sessions without permission or excuse.

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

JOINT RESOLUTION

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:

Sec. 15. Punishment and expulsion of members. Either house may punish its members for disorderly behavior, and may with the concurrence of two thirds, expel a member; but not a second time for the same cause. [*Failure to attend, without permission or excuse, ten or more legislative floor sessions called to transact business during a regular or special legislative session shall be deemed disorderly behavior and shall disqualify the member from holding office as a Senator or Representative for the term following the election after the member's current term is completed.*]

PARAGRAPH 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.

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.