

Senate Joint Resolution 29

Sponsored by Senator PHAM K, Representatives GOMBERG, SOSA, Senator GOLDEN; Senators CAMPOS, GELSER BLOUIN, PROZANSKI, Representatives ANDERSEN, CHAICHI, GAMBA, GRAYBER, HARTMAN, NATHANSON, NGUYEN H, NOSSE (Presession filed.)

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 asks voters to change how many members of the legislature are needed for it to meet, from 2/3 of members to 1/2 of members plus one. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.5).

Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require a majority of each house of the Legislative Assembly to be present to conduct business.

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 12, Article IV of the Constitution of the State of Oregon, is amended to read:

Sec. 12. [*Two thirds*] **A majority** of each house shall [*constitute a quorum*] **be necessary** to do business, but a smaller number may meet; adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of absent members. A [*quorum*] **majority** being in attendance, if either house fail to effect an organization within the first five days thereafter, the members of the house so failing shall be entitled to no compensation from the end of the said five days until an organization shall have been effected.[-]

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.