

HJR 55 -- COMPENSATION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS (Lipke)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Special Committee on General Laws

Starting January 1, 2007, this proposed constitutional amendment prohibits, upon voter approval, public officials convicted of felonies while serving in office, removed from office for misconduct, or impeached from receiving any state pension.

The amendment also removes the General Assembly's veto power over the compensation schedule recommended by the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials and the requirement that the compensation schedule be subject to appropriations by the General Assembly. No compensation schedule approved by the commission after the amendment's effective date will apply to members of the General Assembly until January 1, 2009.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2007, FY 2008, and FY 2009.