

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

0943L.011

AN ACT

Relating to disapproving the recommendations of the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Whereas, Article XIII, Section 3 of the Missouri Constitution charges the Missouri
2 Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials with setting the amounts of
3 compensation paid to statewide elected officials, legislators, and judges; and
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Whereas, the Constitution provides the Commission with a four-month window
5 prior to its constitutional deadline for making salary recommendations to hold public hearings
6 around the state to gather testimony related to salaries for affected state officials and to carefully
7 consider whether pay increases are warranted; and
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Whereas, the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation of Elected
10 Officials has recommended that statewide elected officials, legislators, and judges receive a cost-
11 of-living adjustment only if a cost-of-living adjustment is approved by the Missouri General
12 Assembly for all state employees; and
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Whereas, in addition, the Commission recommended a pay increase of \$1,500
15 annually to each of the state's associate circuit court judges and that judges be allowed a per diem
16 for attending an annual three-day judicial conference which equals the per diem received by
17 member of the Missouri General Assembly. Such recommendations are not contingent upon the
18 approval of a cost-of-living adjustment for all state employees; and
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Whereas, the Commission's recommendations shall take effect unless disapproved
21 by the General Assembly through a concurrent resolution process passed by two-thirds majorities
22 in each legislative chamber before February 1, 2009:
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25 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** by the members of the House of
26 Representatives of the Ninety-fifth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
27 concurring therein, that the recommendations of the Missouri Citizens' Commission on
28 Compensation for Elected Officials be disapproved; and
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30 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
31 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Governor
32 Jay Nixon.

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