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Senate Joint Resolution D (Substitute S-3 as reported by the Committee of the Whole)
Sponsor: Senator Thaddeus G. McCotter
Committee: Government Operations

CONTENT

The joint resolution proposes an amendment to Article IV, Section 12 of the State Constitution to provide that salary and expense determinations of the State Officers Compensation Commission (SOCC) would be effective only if the Legislature approved them by a concurrent resolution adopted by a majority of the members elected to and serving in each house of the Legislature. The concurrent resolution could amend the salary and expense determinations to reduce one or more of them. If approved or amended, the determinations would become effective for the legislative session immediately following the next general election.

Article IV, Section 12 created the SOCC and requires it to meet every two years to determine the salaries and expense allowances of the members of the Legislature, the justices of the Supreme Court, the Governor, and the Lieutenant Governor. Currently, the Commission's determinations take effect unless rejected by a two-thirds vote of the members elected to and serving in each house of the Legislature. Also, the Legislature presently may not amend the Commission's determinations, although it may reject specific determinations.

The joint resolution would have to be submitted to the voters at the next general election, if two-thirds of the members elected to and serving in each house of the Legislature approved the resolution.

Legislative Analyst: G. Towne

FISCAL IMPACT

The joint resolution would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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