

STATE SUPERINTENDENT APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR

House Joint Resolution V Sponsor: Rep. John Moolenaar Committee: Education

Complete to 2-11-04

A SUMMARY OF JOINT RESOLUTION V AS INTRODUCED 2-5-04

The joint resolution would amend the state constitution (Article VIII, Section 3) to provide for gubernatorial appointment of the superintendent of public instruction. The resolution specifies that the governor would make the appointment and would also set the superintendent's term of office.

Currently the state board of education appoints the superintendent of public instruction and determines his or her term of office.

Under the constitution, the state superintendent of public instruction serves as the chairperson of the state board of education (without the right to vote), and is responsible for the execution of the board's policies. Further, the superintendent is the principal executive officer of the state Department of Education. House Joint Resolution V would retain these provisions.

Analyst: J. Hunault

[■]This analysis was prepared by nonpartisan House staff for use by House members in their deliberations, and does not constitute an official statement of legislative intent.