
DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the legislature to provide by law for and adequately fund an independent compensation commission to examine, evaluate, and establish the compensation, benefits, and expense allowances for members of the legislature and provides that any salary increase established by the commission shall not become effective until the beginning of the subsequent term of office following the increase.

Proposed constitutional amendment requires the legislature to provide by law for an independent compensation commission to examine, evaluate, and establish the compensation, benefits, and expense allowances for members of the legislature. Requires the legislature to make adequate annual appropriations to the independent compensation commission to enable the commission to fulfill its duties efficiently and effectively.

Present constitution provides that any increase in salary of any member of the legislature shall not become effective until the commencement of the subsequent term for that office following the adoption or enactment of the increase.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides instead that the salary increase shall not become effective until the commencement of the subsequent term for the office following the establishment by the compensation commission of the increase.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Oct. 12, 2019.

(Amends Const. Art. III, §4(G); Adds Const. Art. III, §4(H))