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House Concurrent Resolution No. 7

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDANIEL.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

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 Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials with setting the amounts of compensation paid to state legislators and the governor; and

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WHEREAS, the Constitution provides the Commission with a four-month window prior to its constitutional deadline for making salary recommendations to hold public hearings around the state to gather testimony related to salaries for affected state officials and to carefully consider whether pay increases are warranted; and

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WHEREAS, the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials has recommended that the compensation for the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, state treasurer, secretary of state, and the state auditor be increased by two and one-half percent each year for the next two years, representing a total additional cost to the state of Missouri for the recommended salary adjustments of nearly \$40,000 each year; and

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WHEREAS, the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials has also recommended that the compensation for members of the General Assembly be increased by two and one-half percent each year for the next two years, representing a total additional cost to the state of Missouri for the recommended salary adjustments of nearly \$200,000 each year; and

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WHEREAS, the state has many other priorities for appropriating money in the budget that are far more important than the salary increases recommended by the commission; and

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WHEREAS, the Commission's recommendations shall take effect unless disapproved by the General Assembly through a concurrent resolution process passed by two-thirds majorities in each legislative chamber before February 1, 2021:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred First, First Regular Session, the Senate concurring therein, hereby disapprove the recommendations of the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials contained in its report of November 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the governor and the Missouri Citizens' Commission for the Compensation of Elected Officials.

