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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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MCGEEHAN, MURT AND BROOKS, JANUARY 29, 2013

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 29, 2013

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth  
2 of Pennsylvania, imposing a limitation on Senators and  
3 Representatives receiving outside earned income.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of  
7 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

8 That Article II be amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 18. Limitation on outside earned income.

10 A Senator or Representative may not annually receive more  
11 than 35% of the base salary of a member of the General Assembly  
12 in earned income outside of the salary and allowances of his  
13 office. The term "earned income" includes wages, salaries, fees  
14 and other amounts received as compensation for personal services  
15 rendered but does not include any compensation paid to a Senator  
16 or Representative for personal services rendered before the  
17 Senator or Representative took office.

18 Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General

1 Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the  
2 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to  
3 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article  
4 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the  
5 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in  
6 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after  
7 passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

8 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this  
9 proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the  
10 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the  
11 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the  
12 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required  
13 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such  
14 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of  
15 this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the  
16 Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment  
17 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first  
18 primary, general or municipal election occurring at least three  
19 months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by  
20 the General Assembly.