



## 2013 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 21

April 15, 2013 – Introduced by Representative YOUNG. Referred to Committee on Government Operations and State Licensing.

- 1     **To amend** section 11 of article IV and section 26 (2)(b) of article IV of the constitution;  
2             **relating to:** meeting of the legislature and compensation of members.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This proposed constitutional amendment, proposed to the 2013 legislature on first consideration, requires the regular legislative session to end by March 31 and limits the salary for each member of the legislature to \$12,000, to be adjusted for inflation by the secretary of state.

A proposed constitutional amendment requires adoption by two successive legislatures, and ratification by the people, before it can become effective.

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### *Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That:*

4             **SECTION 1.** Section 11 of article IV of the constitution is amended to read:

5             [Article IV] Section 11. The legislature shall meet at the seat of government in  
6             regular session at such time as shall be provided by law, ~~unless convened by the~~  
7             except that the legislature may not meet in regular session after March 31. The  
8             governor may convene the legislature in special session, and when so convened no  
9             business shall be transacted except as shall be necessary to accomplish the special  
10            purposes for which it was convened.

1           **SECTION 2.** Section 26 (2) (b) of article IV of the constitution is amended to read:

2           [Article IV] Section 26 (2) (b) The salary for each member of the legislature shall  
3           be \$12,000 annually, to be adjusted for inflation by the secretary of state. Any  
4           increase in the compensation of members of the legislature shall take effect, for all  
5           senators and representatives to the assembly, after the next general election  
6           beginning with the new assembly term.

7           ***Be it further resolved, That*** this proposed amendment be referred to the  
8           legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for three  
9           months previous to the time of holding such election.

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(END)