

January 21, 1965.

H. J. R. 8

Governmental Affairs.

Pass as amended 2/2

By WILSON, UBAN, HAUSHEER, DOYLE,
JACKSON of Clinton, CARNAHAN,
GREGERSON, GAUDINEER, PALMER,
DODERER, FULLMER and COCHRAN.

Passed House, Date 2-8-65

Passed Senate, Date 5/24

Vote: Ayes 90 Nays 24

Vote: Ayes 44 Nays 3

Approved

*Motion to reconsider 2/2
laid on table 2/8*

*passed on file 2/9
Gov. Affairs 2/9*

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

passed house as amended 5/25 (100-6)

"be amended + do pass" 3/30

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa relating to compensation for members of the General Assembly.

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2 State of Iowa is hereby proposed:
- 3 Section twenty-five (25) of Article three (III) of the Consti-
- 4 tution of the State of Iowa is hereby repealed and the following
- 5 adopted in lieu thereof:
- 6 "Section 25. Each member of the General Assembly shall receive
- 7 such compensation and allowances for expenses as shall be fixed by
- 8 law but no General Assembly shall have the power to increase
- 9 compensation and allowances effective prior to the convening of
- 10 the next General Assembly following the session in which any in-
- 11 crease is adopted. The compensation and allowances received
- 12 shall be the same when the General Assembly is convened in extra
- 13 session as when convened in regular session."

- 1 Sec. 2. The foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution
- 2 of the State of Iowa is hereby referred to the general assembly
- 3 to be chosen at the next general election for members of the
- 4 general assembly and the secretary of state is directed to cause
- 5 the same to be published for three (3) consecutive months previous
- 6 to the date of said election as provided by law.

EXPLANATION OF H. J. R. 8

Iowa legislators are currently paid per diem for each day in session and reimbursed for "going to and returning from the place where such session is held, by the nearest traveled route." The Constitution prohibits the General Assembly from increasing the compensation of its own members.

The purpose of this resolution is to not only give the General Assembly the power to determine what amount of compensation legislators should receive but what means should be employed for allocating and paying the compensation which legislators will receive for their services.

The resolution prohibits any increase in compensation from taking effect prior to the convening of the regular session of the General Assembly following the session in which an increase is adopted.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8

- 1 Amend House Joint Resolution 8, section one (1), as follows:
- 2 1. By striking from line eight (8) the word "increase" and
- 3 inserting in lieu thereof the word "change".
- 4 2. By striking from lines ten (10) and eleven (11) the word
- 5 "increase" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "change".

*Withdrawn
2/8*

Filed
February 2, 1965.

MILLER of Des Moines.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 8
(Committee Amendment)

- 1 Amend House Joint Resolution 8 as follows:
- 2 Amend section 1, lines 11, 12 and 13 by striking the following:
- 3 "The compensation and allowance received shall be the same
- 4 when the General Assembly is convened in extra session as
- 5 when convened in regular session."

Filed *adopted 5/24*
March 30, 1965.

House concurred 5/25
By COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS,
ROBERT R. DODDS, *Chairman.*