

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION D

April 21, 2021, Introduced by Reps. Lasinski and Fink and referred to the Committee on Elections and Ethics.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending sections 16 and 27 of article IV, to allow for the suspension of salaries and expense allowances for legislators, and to modify certain effective date and immediate effect provisions.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to allow for the suspension of salaries and expense allowances for legislators and to modify certain effective date and immediate effect provisions, is proposed, agreed to, and

submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 16. **(1)** Each house, except as otherwise provided in this constitution, shall choose its own officers and determine the rules of its proceedings, but shall not adopt any rule that will prevent a majority of the members elected ~~thereto~~ and serving ~~therein~~ **in that house** from discharging a committee from the further consideration of any measure.

(2) Each house shall be the sole judge of the qualifications, elections and returns of its members, and may, with the concurrence of two-thirds of all the members elected ~~thereto~~ and serving ~~therein~~, **in that house**, expel a member. The reasons for ~~such~~ **that** expulsion shall be entered in the journal, with the votes and names of the members voting upon the question. ~~No~~ **A** member shall **not** be expelled a second time for the same cause.

(3) Each house may, with the concurrence of two-thirds of all the members elected and serving in that house, suspend part or all of the salary and expense allowances of a member who acts **unethically or is excessively absent from regular session.**

Sec. 27. ~~No~~ **An** act shall **not** take effect until the expiration of 90 days from the ~~end of the session at which it was passed,~~ **date of enactment**, but the legislature may give immediate effect to acts by a two-thirds vote of the members elected to and serving in each house. **The record of the vote and the name of the members of either house voting on the question of immediate effect shall be entered in the journal.**

Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be submitted to the people of the state at the next general election in the manner provided by law.