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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 5
2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2026**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION
11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF
12 NEW MEXICO TO ALLOW LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION THAT IS LIMITED TO
13 THE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME FOR NEW MEXICO, TO REQUIRE
14 LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION TO BE REDUCED IF THE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD
15 INCOME FOR NEW MEXICO FALLS, TO ALLOW LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION
16 TO BE INCREASED ONLY IF THE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME FOR NEW
17 MEXICO RISES AND TO PROVIDE FOR DELAYED IMPLEMENTATION.

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19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

20 SECTION 1. It is proposed to amend Article 4, Section 10
21 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

22 "A. Each member of the legislature [~~shall~~] is
23 entitled to receive:

24 [A.] (1) per diem at the internal revenue
25 service per diem rate for the city of Santa Fe for each day's
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1 attendance during each session of the legislature and the
2 internal revenue service standard mileage rate for each mile
3 traveled in going to and returning from the seat of government
4 by the usual traveled route, once each session as defined by
5 Article 4, Section 5 of this constitution;

6 [B.] (2) per diem expense and mileage at the
7 same rates as provided in ~~[Subsection A]~~ Paragraph (1) of this
8 ~~[section]~~ subsection for service at meetings required by
9 legislative committees established by the legislature to meet
10 in the interim between sessions; and

11 ~~[C. no other]~~ (3) compensation ~~[perquisite or~~
12 ~~allowance]~~ as provided by law for legislative service in an
13 amount equal to the annual median household income for New
14 Mexico as initially determined and adjusted thereafter by the
15 rise or fall of the median household income for New Mexico.

16 B. The provisions of Paragraph (3) of Subsection A
17 of this section are effective beginning with members seated and
18 sworn in for the fifty-ninth legislature."

19 SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution
20 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or
21 rejection at the 2028 general election.