

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 18

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2012

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF
NEW MEXICO TO REQUIRE A LEGISLATOR WHO RECEIVES A SALARY PAID
FROM PUBLIC MONEY TO ELECT TO TAKE ANNUAL LEAVE OR LEAVE
WITHOUT PAY FOR ATTENDANCE AT LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS AND
MEETINGS.

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

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

"A. Except as provided in Subsection B of this
section, each member of the legislature shall receive:

[A.] (1) per diem at the internal revenue
service per diem rate for the city of Santa Fe for each day's
attendance during each session of the legislature and the
internal revenue service standard mileage rate for each mile

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1 traveled in going to and returning from the seat of government
2 by the usual traveled route, once each session as defined by
3 Article 4, Section 5 of this constitution;

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

9 [G.] (3) no other compensation, perquisite or
10 allowance.

11 B. A legislator who receives a salary paid from
12 public money must elect to take annual leave or leave without
13 pay for attendance at legislative sessions and meetings. The
14 election shall be filed with the chief clerk's office by the
15 first day of a legislative session."

16 SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution
17 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or
18 rejection at the next general election or at any special
19 election prior to that date that may be called for that
20 purpose.

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