

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 16

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 10, SECTION 1 OF THE  
12 CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO PROVIDE THAT THE SALARIES OF  
13 COUNTY OFFICERS SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
14 COMMISSIONERS, REMOVE REFERENCES TO THE FIRST LEGISLATIVE  
15 SESSION AND CLARIFY THAT ANY FEES COLLECTED BY A COUNTY  
16 OFFICIAL SHALL BE PAID INTO THE TREASURY OF THE COUNTY.  
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18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

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

21 "The legislature shall [~~at its first session~~] classify the  
22 counties [~~and fix salaries for all county officers, which shall~~  
23 ~~also apply to those elected at the first election under this~~  
24 ~~constitution. And] of the state. No county officer shall  
25 receive [~~to his own use~~] any fees or emoluments other than~~

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1     ~~[the]~~ an annual salary, ~~[provided by law and]~~ as established by  
2     the board of county commissioners. All fees ~~[earned by any~~  
3     ~~officer shall be by him]~~ collected ~~[and]~~ by a county official  
4     shall be paid into the treasury of the county."

5             SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution  
6     shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
7     rejection at the next general election or at any special  
8     election prior to that date that may be called for that  
9     purpose.