

1 the following proposed amendment to Section 23 of Article V of the
2 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

3 Section 23. A. No member of the Legislature shall, during the
4 term for which ~~he~~ the member was elected, be appointed or elected to
5 any office or commission in the State, which shall have been
6 created, or the emoluments of which shall have been increased,
7 during ~~his~~ the term of office, ~~nor shall any member~~ to which the
8 member was elected.

9 B. Except as otherwise provided by this section, no former
10 member of the Legislature shall be employed by or receive any form
11 of compensation, remuneration or expense reimbursement from any
12 state governmental entity for a period of two (2) years after the
13 end of the term to which the member was elected.

14 C. The provisions of subsection B of this section shall not be
15 applicable to retirement benefit payments or distributions from a
16 governmental tax-qualified retirement plan.

17 D. The provisions of subsection B of this section shall not
18 prohibit a former member of the Legislature from returning to
19 employment with a common school district, a career technology
20 district or an institution within The Oklahoma State System of
21 Higher Education within the two-year period if the former member
22 returns to a teaching or instructional position with a former
23 employer that is a common school district, a career technology

1 district or an institution within The Oklahoma System of Higher
2 Education and the former member was employed in such position for at
3 least three (3) years prior to the date as of which the member was
4 elected to either the Oklahoma House of Representatives or the
5 Oklahoma State Senate.

6 E. No member shall receive any appointment from the Governor,
7 the Governor and Senate, or from the Legislature, during the term
8 for which ~~he~~ the member shall have been elected, ~~nor shall any.~~

9 F. No member shall, during the term for which ~~he~~ the member
10 shall have been elected, or within two (2) years thereafter, be
11 interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract with the State,
12 or, except with respect to the employment authorized pursuant to
13 subsection D or subsection G of this section, in any contract with
14 any county or other political subdivision thereof, authorized by law
15 passed during the term for which ~~he~~ the member shall have been
16 elected.

17 G. The provisions of this section shall not prohibit a former
18 legislator from being employed by a county, city, town, or other
19 political subdivision within the two-year period after the end of
20 the term to which the legislator was elected.

21 SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional
22 amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in
23 the following form:

BALLOT TITLE

Legislative Referendum No. _____ State Question No. _____

THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends Section 23 of Article 5. This section relates to lawmakers. This measure would forbid the state from making any payment to a former lawmaker for two (2) years. The lawmaker could not be a state employee during this time. The lawmaker could not be paid any money from state funds. It would allow a former lawmaker to receive retirement benefits or money from a retirement plan. It would allow former lawmakers to return to a job as a teacher or instructor. The former lawmaker would be required to have been a teacher or instructor for at least three (3) years before being elected as a lawmaker. The lawmaker could return to a job with a school district, a career technology district or a college or university. A former lawmaker could be employed by a county. A former lawmaker could be employed by a city or town. A former lawmaker could be employed by another local government entity.

SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES _____

AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO _____

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1 SECTION 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives,
2 immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and
3 file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in
4 SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the
5 Attorney General.

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7 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02-24-2011 - DO PASS,
8 As Amended.

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