

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 HOUSE JOINT  
4 RESOLUTION 1066

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8 AS INTRODUCED

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10 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State  
11 to refer to the people for their approval or  
12 rejection a proposed amendment to Section 21 of  
13 Article V of the Constitution of the State of  
14 Oklahoma; modifying procedures for approval of salary  
15 increases for legislators; providing for approval by  
16 majority of both chambers for salary increases in  
17 excess of specified percentage increase; prescribing  
18 procedures for approval of measure; prescribing  
19 procedures for computation of effective date of  
20 certain salary increase; providing ballot title; and  
21 directing filing.

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23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
24 2ND SESSION OF THE 60TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

25 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
26 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
27 the following proposed amendment to Section 21 of Article V of the  
28 Constitution of the State of Oklahoma to read as follows:

29 Section 21. A. The Legislature shall enact laws to prohibit  
30 members of the Legislature from engaging in activities or having

1      interests which conflict with the proper discharge of their duties  
2      and responsibilities.

3              B. The Board on Legislative Compensation is hereby created.

4      Said Board shall be composed of five members appointed by the  
5      Governor, two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
6      Senate, and two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
7      Representatives. The members appointed by the Governor shall be  
8      from religious organizations, communications media, nonstate-  
9      supported educational institutions, labor organizations, and retail  
10     business; the members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
11     Senate shall be from agricultural and civic organizations; and the  
12     members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
13     shall be from manufacturing and from professional fields not  
14     otherwise specified. No member of the Legislature may be appointed  
15     to or serve on the Board. In addition to the members above provided  
16     for, the Chairman of the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the Director of  
17     State Finance shall serve as ex officio nonvoting members of said  
18     Board. The Chairman of said Board shall be designated by the  
19     Governor. Members of the Legislature shall receive such  
20     compensation as shall be fixed by the Board on Legislative  
21     Compensation. If a member of the Legislature is incarcerated due to  
22     being charged with a criminal offense and subsequently is found  
23     guilty of the offense or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to the  
24     offense, the legislator shall return to the state any compensation

1 the legislator received from the state while the legislator was  
2 incarcerated prior to the guilty verdict or plea or nolo contendere  
3 plea and shall not receive any compensation from the state during  
4 any incarceration following such verdict or plea. Said Board shall  
5 each two years review the compensation paid to the members of the  
6 Legislature and shall be empowered to change such compensation;  
7 except as otherwise provided by subsection C of this section, such  
8 change to become effective on the fifteenth day following the  
9 succeeding general election. The members of the Board shall serve  
10 without compensation, but shall be entitled to receive necessary  
11 travel and subsistence expense as provided by law for other state  
12 officers.

13 C. If the Board on Legislative Compensation approves an  
14 increase greater than ten percent (10%), the increase shall not take  
15 effect until the Legislature, in either a regular or extraordinary  
16 session, approves the increase by a majority vote of those elected  
17 to and constituting each chamber of the Legislature. The measure  
18 for approval of the increase shall not be presented to the Governor.  
19 If the salary increase is approved by the Legislature prior to the  
20 fifteenth day of the month following the general election date which  
21 occurs immediately after the approval of the increase by the Board  
22 on Legislative Compensation, the salary increase shall become  
23 effective on the fifteenth day following such general election. If  
24 the salary increase is approved by the Legislature after the

1 fifteenth day of the month following the general election, but prior  
2 to the next succeeding general election, the salary increase shall  
3 take effect on the first day of the month following the date upon  
4 which the measure receives approval by both chambers. If the  
5 measure does not receive approval by both chambers on the same date,  
6 the salary increase shall become effective on the first day of the  
7 month following the date as of which the measure is approved by the  
8 second of the two chambers.

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

## BALLOT TITLE

13 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

14 | THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

15 This measure amends the Oklahoma Constitution. It amends  
16 Section 21 of Article 5. This section creates the Board on  
17 Legislative Compensation. Currently, if the Board on  
18 Legislative Compensation approves a salary increase for  
19 lawmakers, no other approval is required. If this measure  
20 passes, if the Board approves a salary increase of more than ten  
21 percent (10%), the increase would also have to be approved by  
22 both chambers of the Legislature. It would have to receive a  
23 majority vote of the total number of members elected to each of  
24 the chambers. If the Legislature approved this increase, it

1       would become effective either on the first day of the month  
2       following the month during which the increase was approved or  
3       upon the fifteenth day following the next general election.

4       SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

5       FOR THE PROPOSAL — YES \_\_\_\_\_

6       AGAINST THE PROPOSAL — NO \_\_\_\_\_

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

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