

House Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution to prohibit compensation for members of a district school board.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment to Section 4 of Article IX and the creation of a new section in Article XII of the State Constitution are agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

ARTICLE IX

EDUCATION

SECTION 4. School districts; school boards.—

(a) Each county shall constitute a school district; provided, two or more contiguous counties, upon vote of the electors of each county pursuant to law, may be combined into one school district. In each school district there shall be a school board composed of five or more members chosen by vote of the electors in a nonpartisan election for appropriately staggered terms of four years, as provided by law.

(b) The school board shall operate, control and supervise

26 | all free public schools within the school district and determine
 27 | the rate of school district taxes within the limits prescribed
 28 | herein. Two or more school districts may operate and finance
 29 | joint educational programs. Members of a school board shall
 30 | serve without compensation.

31 | ARTICLE XII

32 | SCHEDULE

33 | Prohibition on compensation for members of a district
 34 | school board.—This section and the amendment to Section 4 of
 35 | Article IX prohibiting compensation for members of a district
 36 | school board shall take effect upon approval by the electors and
 37 | apply to newly elected members of a district school board
 38 | elected on or after November 8, 2022, and to members of a
 39 | district school board reelected on or after November 8, 2022,
 40 | with at least eight years of service after November 8, 2022.

41 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
 42 | placed on the ballot:

43 | CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

44 | ARTICLE IX, SECTION 4

45 | ARTICLE XII

46 | PROHIBITION ON COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF A DISTRICT
 47 | SCHOOL BOARD.—Proposes an amendment to the State Constitution to
 48 | prohibit compensation for newly elected members of a district
 49 | school board elected on or after November 8, 2022, and to
 50 | members of a district school board reelected on or after

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51 | November 8, 2022, with at least eight years of service after
52 | November 8, 2022.