

HOUSE GOVERNMENT, ELECTIONS AND  
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 3

**52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2016**

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4, SECTION 10 OF THE  
CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO PAY STATE LEGISLATORS AN ANNUAL  
SALARY LIMITED TO AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD  
INCOME IN NEW MEXICO FOR THE MOST RECENT CALENDAR YEAR.

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:

"Each member of the legislature shall receive:

A. 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 traveled in going  
to and returning from the seat of government by the usual  
traveled route, once each session as defined by Article 4,

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1 Section 5 of this constitution;

2 B. per diem expense and mileage at the same rates  
3 as provided in Subsection A of this section for service at  
4 meetings required by legislative committees established by the  
5 legislature to meet in the interim between sessions; ~~and~~

6 C. beginning on January 1, 2017, a salary limited  
7 to an amount equal to the median household income in New Mexico  
8 for the most recent calendar year as determined by the United  
9 States census bureau; and

10 ~~[G.]~~ D. no other compensation, perquisite or  
11 allowance."

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