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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth  
2 of Pennsylvania, authorizing payment of increased retirement  
3 benefits to beneficiaries of members.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of  
7 the Commonwealth is proposed in accordance with the provisions  
8 of Article XI thereof:

9 That section 26, Article III be amended to read:

10 § 26. Extra compensation prohibited; claims against the  
11 Commonwealth; pensions.

12 No bill shall be passed giving any extra compensation to any  
13 public officer, servant, employee, agent or contractor, after  
14 services shall have been rendered or contract made, nor  
15 providing for the payment of any claim against the Commonwealth  
16 without previous authority of law: Provided, however, That  
17 nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to prohibit the  
18 General Assembly from authorizing the increase of retirement

1 [allowances of pensions of] benefits payable to members or  
2 beneficiaries of members of a retirement or pension system now  
3 in effect or hereafter legally constituted by the Commonwealth,  
4 its political subdivisions, agencies or instrumentalities, after  
5 the termination of the services of said member.

6 Section 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted by the  
7 Secretary of the Commonwealth to the qualified electors of the  
8 State at the primary or general election next held after the  
9 advertising requirements of section 1, Article XI have been  
10 satisfied.