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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION M

February 18, 2009, Introduced by Rep. Meltzer and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 24 of article IX, to provide for forfeiture of pensions for certain public employees under certain circumstances.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to provide for forfeiture of pensions for certain public employees under certain circumstances, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IX

Sec. 24. The accrued financial benefits of each pension plan and retirement system of the state and its political subdivisions

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- 1 shall be a contractual obligation thereof which shall not be
- 2 diminished or impaired thereby. NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE
- 3 CONSTRUED TO FORBID FORFEITURE OF THE PENSION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE
- 4 FOR ANY REASON PROVIDED UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT
- 5 BENEFITS FORFEITURE ACT, 1994 PA 350, MCL 38.2701 TO 38.2705.
- 6 Financial benefits arising on account of service rendered in
- 7 each fiscal year shall be funded during that year and such funding
- 8 shall not be used for financing unfunded accrued liabilities.
- 9 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
- 10 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
- 11 in the manner provided by law.