JOINT RESOLUTION ON LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION

2020 FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor:  Paul Ray

Senate Sponsor:  David P. Hinkins

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution responds to the recommendations of the Legislative Compensation Commission.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- recognizes the findings of the Legislative Compensation Commission; and
- responds to the findings of the commission in relation to a recommended increase in the daily salary rate for legislators.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2019, the Legislative Compensation Commission presented its 2020 report, which contains the commission's bi-annual review of legislative compensation and presents a list of findings that relate to that compensation and legislator's salary for their service in elected office;

WHEREAS, the Legislative Compensation Commission's 2020 report recommended, among other matters, that beginning with fiscal year 2020, the daily salary rate for legislators increase from the current rate of $285 per day to $292 per day;

WHEREAS, the Legislature thanks the Legislative Compensation Commission for their
efforts; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of fiscal responsibility and consistent with budget cuts that have been necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, it is best to forgo the recommended increase in the daily salary rate for legislators:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, according to the procedures of Utah Code Annotated Section 36-2-3, hereby elects to reject the increase in the daily salary rate for legislators that was recommended by the Legislative Compensation Commission's 2020 report.