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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 7 of article 5 of the constitution, in relation to removal of pension and retirement benefits from persons convicted of certain felonies

Section 1. Resolved (if the Assembly concur) , That section 7 of article 5 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

S 7. After July first, nineteen hundred forty, membership in any pension or retirement system of the state or of a civil division thereof shall be a contractual relationship, the benefits of which shall not be diminished or impaired. ANY ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO IS CONVICTED OF A FELONY OFFENSE AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION THAT OCCURRED DURING HIS OR HER TIME IN OFFICE SHALL FORFEIT RIGHTS TO HIS OR HER BENEFITS SUBSEQUENT TO THE CRIMINAL CONDUCT FOR WHICH SUCH ELECTED OFFICIAL WAS CONVICTED.

S 2. Resolved (if the Assembly concur), That the foregoing amendment be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the next succeeding general election of members of the assemble, and, in conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be published for 3 months previous to the time of such election.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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