

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 4

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

Synopsis: Court employee political activity. Provides that a court employee (other than a judge or a justice) may not be denied the right to engage or refuse to engage in political activity except when on duty, acting in an official capacity, or as otherwise provided by Indiana statute or federal law. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 11, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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Introduced

Second Regular Session 111th General Assembly (2000)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1999 General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning courts and court officers.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
3 Eleventh General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to
4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 7 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
6 STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED BY ADDING A **NEW**
7 SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Section 22. (a) This section**
8 **does not apply to a judge or a justice.**
9 **(b) A court employee, except when on duty, acting in an official**
10 **capacity, or as otherwise provided by Indiana statute or federal**
11 **law, may not be:**
12 **(1) prohibited from engaging in political activity; or**



1 (2) denied the right to refrain from engaging in political
2 activity.

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