

(This Joint Resolution No. 3 was passed for the first time at the Legislative Session of 1980.)

No. 1980-3

A JOINT RESOLUTION

SB 265

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the General Assembly to increase certain retirement benefits or pensions.

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

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

That section 26, Article III be amended to read:

§ 26. Extra compensation prohibited; claims against the Commonwealth; *retirement benefits or* pensions.

No bill shall be passed giving any extra compensation to any public officer, servant, employee, agent or contractor, after services shall have been rendered or contract made, nor providing for the payment of any claim against the Commonwealth without previous authority of law: Provided, however, That nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to prohibit the General Assembly from authorizing the increase of retirement [~~allowances~~] *benefits* or pensions *payable to members or beneficiaries who are spouses* of members of a retirement or pension system now in effect or hereafter legally constituted by the Commonwealth, its political subdivisions, agencies or instrumentalities, after the termination of the services of said member, *provided such increases are certified to be actuarially sound.*

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