

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 5

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By: **The Speaker (By Request)**

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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

1 A House Joint Resolution concerning

2 **General Assembly Compensation Commission – Recommendations**

3 FOR the purpose of rejecting certain items included in the Resolution of the General  
4 Assembly Compensation Commission dated January 5, 2010, and transmitted to  
5 the General Assembly on January 12, 2010, that address certain proposed  
6 changes to salaries, in–district travel, out–of–state travel, and the Legislative  
7 Pension Plan for members of the General Assembly; providing that the salaries  
8 for the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and  
9 members of the General Assembly and provisions addressing out–of–state  
10 travel remain at the levels set by the Resolution of the General Assembly  
11 Compensation Commission dated January 6, 2006, and transmitted to the  
12 General Assembly on January 11, 2006; providing that the allowance for  
13 in–district travel and the provisions of the Legislative Pension Plan addressing  
14 optional forms of allowance shall remain at the levels set by the Resolution of  
15 the General Assembly Compensation Commission dated January 11, 2002, and  
16 transmitted to the General Assembly on January 11, 2002; providing that  
17 provisions of the Legislative Pension Plan addressing military service credit as  
18 provided in the Resolution of the General Assembly Compensation Commission  
19 dated January 5, 2010, and transmitted to the General Assembly on January  
20 12, 2010, shall be void; and generally relating to recommendations of the  
21 General Assembly Compensation Commission.

22 **RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:**

23 (a) In accordance with the authority granted under Article III, Section 15 of  
24 the Maryland Constitution, the General Assembly rejects the recommendations for  
25 changes in the salaries for the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
26 Delegates, and the members of the General Assembly, the allowance for in–district  
27 travel, changes to the provisions addressing out–of–state travel, and for changes in the  
28 retirement benefits available to legislators in the Legislative Pension Plan submitted  
29 in the Resolution of the General Assembly Compensation Commission dated January  
30 5, 2010, and transmitted to the General Assembly on January 12, 2010; and



1           (b) Items 1A, 1B, and 2A of the Resolution of the General Assembly  
2 Compensation Commission dated January 5, 2010, and transmitted to the General  
3 Assembly on January 12, 2010, shall be void and provisions related to the allowance  
4 for salaries for the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and  
5 the members of the General Assembly and out-of-state travel shall be as provided in  
6 the Resolution of the General Assembly Compensation Commission dated January 6,  
7 2006, and transmitted to the General Assembly on January 11, 2006; and

8           (c) Item 2C and Section 12 of Item 3A of the Resolution of the General  
9 Assembly Compensation Commission dated January 5, 2010, and transmitted to the  
10 General Assembly on January 12, 2010, shall be void and provisions related to the  
11 allowance for in-district travel and the optional retirement allowances available to  
12 legislators in the Legislative Pension Plan shall be as provided in the Resolution of the  
13 General Assembly Compensation Commission dated January 11, 2002, and  
14 transmitted to the General Assembly on January 11, 2002; and

15           (d) Section 22 of Item 3A of the Resolution of the General Assembly  
16 Compensation Commission dated January 5, 2010, and transmitted to the General  
17 Assembly on January 12, 2010, addressing military service credit for legislators in the  
18 Legislative Pension Plan shall be void; and

19           (e) The other items related to compensation and allowances to members of  
20 the General Assembly shall be as provided in the Resolution of the General Assembly  
21 Compensation Commission dated January 5, 2010, and transmitted to the General  
22 Assembly on January 12, 2010; and be it further

23           RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of  
24 Legislative Services to the Honorable Martin O'Malley, Governor of Maryland; the  
25 Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and the  
26 Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House of Delegates.