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# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 65

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 26 of Article V of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to the retirement of judges.

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:*

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article V of the Constitution of the state of Missouri:

Section A. Section 26, Article V, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 26, to read as follows:

Section 26. 1. All judges other than municipal judges shall retire at the age of seventy years, except as provided in the schedule to this article **or this subsection**, under a retirement plan provided by law. **Each judge other than municipal judges shall be permitted to complete the remainder of the term to which he or she was elected or appointed.**

2. All judges may retire at an earlier age authorized by law and may participate in a retirement plan provided by law.

3. Any retired judge, associate circuit judge or commissioner, with his consent, may be assigned by the supreme court as a senior judge to any court in this state or as a special

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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9 commissioner. When serving as a senior judge he shall have the same powers as an active  
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