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## DIGEST

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HB 581 Original

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the legislature to provide supplemental pay by law to certain commissioned law enforcement officers

Present constitution authorizes the legislature to provide state supplemental pay to sworn commissioned law enforcement officers employed by the state or its political subdivisions, provided those officers are employed on a full-time basis and serve the welfare of the public in the capacity of a police officer by effecting arrests, issuing citations, and serving warrants while patrolling waterways and riverfront areas.

Proposed constitution retains present constitution and additionally authorizes the legislature to provide state supplemental pay to commissioned law enforcement officers employed within the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections as a probation or parole officer.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held November 3, 2026.

Effective July 1, 2027.

(Adds Art. X, §10(A)(1)(c))