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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 16-005

101 SUBMITTING TO THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF  
102 COLORADO AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION  
103 CONCERNING COUNTY SURVEYORS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
104 THEREWITH, REPEALING A REQUIREMENT THAT EACH COUNTY  
105 IN THE STATE ELECT A COUNTY SURVEYOR AND ALLOWING EACH  
106 COUNTY TO DETERMINE WHETHER A SURVEYOR SHOULD BE  
107 ELECTED OR APPOINTED AND TO ESTABLISH THE TERM AND ANY  
108 COMPENSATION TO BE PROVIDED TO A SURVEYOR.

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Resolution Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this resolution as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this resolution passes third reading in the house of introduction, a resolution summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this resolution will be*

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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The Colorado constitution currently requires a county surveyor to be elected in each county. The concurrent resolution eliminates this requirement and allows each county, by ordinance, to determine:

- ! Whether to have a county surveyor;
- ! Whether the surveyor should be elected or appointed;
- ! The term of the surveyor; and
- ! The salary or compensation to be provided to the surveyor.

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1           *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventieth General Assembly*  
2           *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

3           **SECTION 1.** At the election held on November 8, 2016, the  
4           secretary of state shall submit to the registered electors of the state the  
5           ballot title set forth in section 2 for the following amendment to the state  
6           constitution:

7           In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **amend** section 8 of  
8           article XIV as follows:

9           **Section 8. County officers - election - term - salary.** There shall  
10          be elected in each county, at the same time at which members of the  
11          general assembly are elected, commencing in the year nineteen hundred  
12          and fifty-four, and every four years thereafter, one county clerk, who shall  
13          be ex officio recorder of deeds and clerk of the board of county  
14          commissioners; one sheriff; one coroner; one treasurer who shall be  
15          collector of taxes; ~~one county surveyor~~; one county assessor; and one  
16          county attorney who may be elected or appointed, as shall be provided by  
17          law; and such officers shall be paid such salary or compensation, either  
18          from the fees, perquisites and emoluments of their respective offices, or  
19          from the general county fund, as may be provided by law. The term of  
20          office of all such officials shall be four years, and they shall take office

1 on the second Tuesday in January next following their election, or at such  
2 other time as may be provided by law. THERE MAY BE IN EACH COUNTY,  
3 AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COUNTY, ONE COUNTY SURVEYOR, WHO MAY  
4 BE ELECTED OR APPOINTED AS PROVIDED BY ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY.  
5 ANY SALARY OR COMPENSATION PAID AND THE TERM OF OFFICE OF A  
6 COUNTY SURVEYOR SHALL BE AS PROVIDED BY ORDINANCE OF THE  
7 COUNTY.

8           **SECTION 2.** Each elector voting at the election may cast a vote  
9 either "Yes/For" or "No/Against" on the following ballot title: "Shall  
10 there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning county  
11 surveyors, and, in connection therewith, repealing a requirement that each  
12 county in the state elect a county surveyor and allowing each county to  
13 determine whether a surveyor should be elected or appointed and to  
14 establish the term and any compensation to be provided to a surveyor?"

15           **SECTION 3.** Except as otherwise provided in section 1-40-123,  
16 Colorado Revised Statutes, if a majority of the electors voting on the  
17 ballot title vote "Yes/For", then the amendment will become part of the  
18 state constitution.