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H.J.R. No. 17

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment relating to observing
2 standard time year-round or observing daylight saving time
3 year-round based on the results of a statewide referendum.

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by
6 adding Section 74 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 74. (a) The legislature by general law may:

8 (1) hold a statewide referendum that allows the voters
9 to indicate a preference for either:

10 (A) observing standard time year-round; or

11 (B) observing daylight saving time year-round;

12 and

13 (2) enact a law based on the results of the referendum
14 providing for the state to observe standard time year-round or to
15 observe daylight saving time year-round.

16 (b) A statewide referendum described by Subsection (a) of
17 this section that is held on the same day as the election on the
18 constitutional amendment to add this section to this article is
19 hereby validated.

20 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
21 submitted to the voters at an election to be held May 7, 2022. The
22 ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
23 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the state
24 to conduct a statewide referendum to allow the voters to choose

1 between observing standard time year-round and observing daylight
2 saving time year-round and authorizing the legislature to enact
3 legislation that gives effect to the option preferred by a majority
4 of the voters voting in the statewide referendum."