By: Bernal H.J.R. No. 16

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
- 2 to exempt from ad valorem taxation the total assessed value of the
- 3 residence homestead of an unpaid caregiver of an individual who is
- 4 eligible to receive long-term services and supports under the
- 5 Medicaid program while the individual is on a waiting list for the
- 6 services and supports.
- 7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 8 SECTION 1. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 9 adding Section 1-q to read as follows:
- 10 Sec. 1-q. The legislature by general law may exempt from ad
- 11 valorem taxation the total assessed value of the residence
- 12 homestead of an unpaid caregiver of an individual who is eligible to
- 13 receive certain long-term services and supports through a program
- 14 established under federal law that provides health care and related
- 15 services and benefits to persons with disabilities and under which
- 16 this state receives federal matching money during the period the
- 17 individual is on a waiting list for the services and supports. The
- 18 <u>legislature</u> by general law may provide additional eligibility
- 19 <u>requirements for the exemption.</u>
- 20 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 21 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023.
- 22 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 23 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
- 24 legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation the total assessed

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