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## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
- 2 to enact laws providing for a court to grant a commutation of
- 3 punishment to certain individuals serving a term of imprisonment.
- 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Article V, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 6 adding Section 33 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 33. The legislature by general law may provide for a
- 8 court to grant a commutation of punishment to certain individuals
- 9 <u>serving a term of imprisonment.</u>
- 10 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 11 submitted to the voters at an election to be held on
- 12 November 7, 2023. The ballot shall be printed to provide voting
- 13 for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment
- 14 authorizing the legislature to enact laws providing for a court to
- 15 grant a commutation of punishment to certain individuals serving a
- 16 term of imprisonment."