By: Landgraf H.J.R. No. 133

A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
- 2 to set a minimum amount of monetary bond for persons charged with
- 3 stalking or an offense involving family violence.
- 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 11, Article I, Texas Constitution, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 11. (a) All prisoners shall be bailable by sufficient
- 8 sureties, unless for capital offenses [offenses], when the proof is
- 9 evident; but this provision shall not be so construed as to prevent
- 10 bail after indictment found upon examination of the evidence, in
- 11 such manner as may be prescribed by law.
- 12 (b) The legislature by general law may set a minimum amount
- of monetary bail that must be imposed in a case in which a person is
- 14 accused of committing the offense of stalking or an offense
- 15 involving family violence, as defined by the legislature.
- 16 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 17 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023.
- 18 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 19 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
- 20 legislature to set a minimum amount of monetary bond for persons
- 21 charged with stalking or an offense involving family violence."