

1-1 By: Hughes S.J.R. No. 70
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 28, 2023; March 16, 2023,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 April 13, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 1; April 13, 2023,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

| | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-8 | X | | | |
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| 1-11 | X | | | |
| 1-12 | X | | | |
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| 1-19 | X | | | |

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.J.R. No. 70 By: Paxton

1-21 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

1-22 proposing a constitutional amendment protecting the right of
 1-23 parents to raise their children.

1-24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Article I, Texas Constitution, is amended by
 1-26 adding Section 36 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 36. (a) A parent has the inherent right to exercise
 1-28 care, custody, and control of the parent's child and to make
 1-29 decisions for the upbringing of the parent's child, including but
 1-30 not limited to decisions regarding the education, moral and
 1-31 religious training, and health care of the child.

1-32 (b) The state or a political subdivision of this state shall
 1-33 not interfere with the rights of a parent described by Subsection
 1-34 (a) of this section unless the interference is:

1-35 (1) essential to further a compelling governmental
 1-36 interest; and

1-37 (2) narrowly tailored to accomplish that compelling
 1-38 governmental interest.

1-39 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
 1-40 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023.
 1-41 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
 1-42 proposition: "The constitutional amendment establishing parents
 1-43 as the primary decision-makers for their children."

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