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H.J.R. No. 51

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a statewide  
2 referendum allowing voters to indicate a preference for observing  
3 standard time year-round or observing daylight saving time  
4 year-round.

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

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

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

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

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

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

13 and

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

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

21 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
22 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2025.  
23 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
24 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the state

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