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S.J.R. No. 15

1 JOINT RESOLUTION

2 proposing a constitutional amendment relating to appropriations  
3 for the preservation and perpetuation of certain items of  
4 historical value; allowing the legislature and state agencies to  
5 accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of historical value and  
6 contributions to purchase such items.

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

8 SECTION 1. Section 39, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 Sec. 39. The Legislature may, from time to time, make  
11 appropriations for preserving and perpetuating memorials of the  
12 history of Texas, by means of monuments, statues, paintings, films,  
13 videotapes, audiotapes, computer files or other electronic storage  
14 media, and documents of historical value. The Legislature or an  
15 agency of the state may accept on behalf of the state gifts of items  
16 of historical value and contributions to purchase items of  
17 historical value.

18 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
19 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2003.  
20 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
21 proposition: "The constitutional amendment allowing the  
22 legislature to make appropriations for preserving and perpetuating  
23 certain items of historical value and allowing the legislature and  
24 state agencies to accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of

1 historical value and contributions to preserve and perpetuate such  
2 items."