

1-1 By: Harris S.J.R. No. 15  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 17, 2003; January 22, 2003,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Administration;  
1-4 January 23, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas  
1-5 7, Nays 0; January 23, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

1-7 proposing a constitutional amendment relating to appropriations  
1-8 for the preservation and perpetuation of certain items of  
1-9 historical value; allowing the legislature and state agencies to  
1-10 accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of historical value and  
1-11 contributions to purchase such items.

1-12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 39, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is  
1-14 amended to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 39. The Legislature may, from time to time, make  
1-16 appropriations for preserving and perpetuating memorials of the  
1-17 history of Texas, by means of monuments, statues, paintings, films,  
1-18 videotapes, audiotapes, computer files or other electronic storage  
1-19 media, and documents of historical value. The Legislature or an  
1-20 agency of the state may accept on behalf of the state gifts of items  
1-21 of historical value and contributions to purchase items of  
1-22 historical value.

1-23 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
1-24 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2003.  
1-25 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
1-26 proposition: "The constitutional amendment allowing the  
1-27 legislature to make appropriations for preserving and perpetuating  
1-28 certain items of historical value and allowing the legislature and  
1-29 state agencies to accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of  
1-30 historical value and contributions to preserve and perpetuate such  
1-31 items."

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