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S.J.R. No. 12

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of  
3 additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development  
4 Board to provide assistance to economically distressed areas.

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

6 SECTION 1. Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by  
7 adding Section 49-d-10 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 49-d-10. (a) The Texas Water Development Board may  
9 issue additional general obligation bonds, at its determination,  
10 for the economically distressed areas program account of the Texas  
11 Water Development Fund II, in an amount not to exceed \$785 million.  
12 The bonds shall be used to provide financial assistance to  
13 economically distressed areas of the state as defined by law.

14 (b) Section 49-d-8(e) of this article applies to the bonds  
15 authorized by this section.

16 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
17 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2005.  
18 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the  
19 proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the  
20 issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water  
21 Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$785 million to provide  
22 assistance to economically distressed areas."