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H.J.R. No. 32

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit the governing body of a political subdivision to exempt from ad valorem taxation property owned by certain law enforcement officer associations.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 2, Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is 7 amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

8 (e) The Legislature by general law may authorize the governing body of a political subdivision of this state to exempt 9 from ad valorem taxation the property of a nonprofit association 10 11 that is organized and operated primarily to provide assistance to 12 law enforcement officers and their families or dependents. The Legislature by general law may provide eligibility limitations for 13 14 an exemption authorized by this section and may provide that the exemption may be applied retroactively to one or more tax years 15 16 after the 2000 tax year.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2005. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit the governing body of a political subdivision to exempt from ad valorem taxation property of certain nonprofit law enforcement officer associations."

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