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H.J.R. No. 59

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment to remove restrictions on the  
2 types of voting methods that may be used to elect the governing body  
3 of a municipality.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 11(b), Article XI, Texas Constitution,  
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 (b) A municipality so providing a term exceeding two (2)  
8 years but not exceeding four (4) years for any of its non-civil  
9 service officers must fill [~~elect all of the members of its~~  
10 ~~governing body by majority vote of the qualified voters in such~~  
11 ~~municipality, and~~] any vacancy or vacancies occurring on the [~~such~~  
12 ~~governing body of the municipality~~] [~~shall not be filled by~~  
13 ~~appointment but must be filled~~] by [~~majority~~] vote of the qualified  
14 voters at a special election called for such purpose within one  
15 hundred and twenty (120) days after such vacancy or vacancies  
16 occur.

17 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
18 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2005.  
19 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
20 proposition: "The constitutional amendment to remove restrictions  
21 on the types of voting methods that may be used to elect the  
22 governing body of a municipality."