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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature  
2 to exempt poultry facilities from ad valorem taxation.

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

4 SECTION 1. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by  
5 adding Section 19b to read as follows:

6 Sec. 19b. (a) The legislature by general law may exempt  
7 from ad valorem taxation a facility, including a building,  
8 structure, or fixture, that:

9 (1) is used to raise, grow, feed, or otherwise produce  
10 poultry for commercial purposes; or

11 (2) is a commercial poultry hatchery that is used to  
12 produce chicks, ducklings, goslings, or poults.

13 (b) A general law enacted under this section may not exempt  
14 from ad valorem taxation the land on which an exempt facility is  
15 located.

16 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
17 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 6, 2007.  
18 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
19 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the  
20 legislature to exempt poultry facilities from ad valorem taxation."