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H.J.R. No. 15

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to treat
2 recognized Indian tribes equally with regard to authorizing
3 gambling or other gaming activity on tribal land.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 47, Article III, Texas Constitution, is
6 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (f) to
7 read as follows:

8 (a) The Legislature shall pass laws prohibiting lotteries
9 and gift enterprises in this State other than those authorized by
10 Subsections (b), (d), [~~and~~] (e), and (f) of this section.

11 (f) No law of this state, including Subsection (a) of this
12 section, may be applied or construed to prohibit a federally
13 recognized Indian tribe from conducting any type of gambling or
14 other gaming activity on the tribe's federally recognized tribal
15 land in this state that another federally recognized Indian tribe
16 that owns or controls federally recognized tribal land in this
17 state is authorized by state or federal law to conduct on that
18 tribal land.

19 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
20 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 6, 2007.
21 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
22 proposition: "The constitutional amendment requiring the State of
23 Texas to treat recognized Indian tribes equally with regard to
24 authorizing gambling and other gaming activity on tribal land."