1-1 S.J.R. No. 68 By: Wentworth (In the Senate - Filed May 10, 2007; May 10, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; May 15, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 15, 2007, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment to allow certain elected county or district officeholders to become a candidate for another office in a primary election held in the final year of the officeholder's term without causing the automatic resignation of the officeholder.

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

SECTION 1. Section 65, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) Subsection (b) of this section does not apply to an officer who announces the officer's candidacy or becomes a candidate for the nomination of a political party that elects its nominees at a primary election if:

(1) the primary election is held in the final year of

the term of the office; and

(2) the officer announces the candidacy or becomes a candidate during the period for filing an application for a place on the primary election ballot.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 6, 2007. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment allowing certain elected county or district officeholders to become a candidate for another office in a primary election held in the final year of the officeholder's term without causing the automatic resignation of the officeholder."

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