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A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment to permit the attorney general
- 2 to prosecute certain offenses arising under the campaign finance
- 3 laws of this state.
- 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Article IV, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 6 adding Section 22a to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 22a. To the extent provided by general law, the
- 8 attorney general may represent the state in the district and
- 9 <u>inferior courts in the prosecution of criminal and civil offenses</u>
- 10 that:
- 11 (1) arise under the campaign finance laws of this
- 12 state; and
- 13 (2) are alleged to have been committed in connection
- 14 with:
- 15 (A) an election for or the holding of state
- 16 office; or
- 17 (B) an election on a constitutional amendment.
- 18 SECTION 2. The constitutional amendment proposed by this
- 19 resolution shall be submitted to the voters at the general election
- 20 to be held November 3, 2009. The ballot shall be printed to permit
- 21 voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional
- 22 amendment permitting the attorney general to prosecute offenses
- 23 that arise under the campaign finance laws of this state and that
- 24 are alleged to have been committed in connection with a state office

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