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H.J.R. No. 68

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
2 to exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion of the assessed value
3 of the residence homesteads of volunteer firefighters, emergency
4 medical services volunteers, and individuals serving as foster
5 parents.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 1-b, Article VIII, Texas Constitution,
8 is amended by adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:

9 (j) The legislature by general law may exempt from ad
10 valorem taxation \$5,000 of the assessed value of the residence
11 homestead of a person who serves as a volunteer firefighter,
12 emergency medical services volunteer, or foster parent.

13 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
14 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009.
15 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
16 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
17 legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion of the
18 assessed value of the residence homesteads of volunteer
19 firefighters, emergency medical services volunteers, and
20 individuals serving as foster parents."