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H.J.R. No. 80

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing garnishment of
2 wages for court-ordered restitution in a criminal judgment.

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 28, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Sec. 28. No current wages for personal service shall ever
7 be subject to garnishment, except for the enforcement of
8 court-ordered:

9 (1) child support payments; [~~or~~]

10 (2) spousal maintenance; or

11 (3) restitution in a criminal judgment.

12 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
13 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009.
14 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
15 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing
16 garnishment of wages for court-ordered restitution in a criminal
17 judgment."