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H.J.R. No. 99

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
2 to legalize and regulate the conduct of gaming in this state in
3 counties that by local option election approve the conduct of that
4 gaming.

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

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

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

12 (f) The Legislature by general law may authorize and
13 regulate the conduct of one or more types of gaming in this State. A
14 law enacted under this subsection must require that, before any
15 type of gaming not otherwise permitted by law to be conducted in a
16 particular county may be conducted in that county, an election must
17 be held to allow the qualified voters of the county to determine by
18 a majority vote whether that type of gaming may be legally conducted
19 in the county.

20 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
21 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009.
22 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
23 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
24 legislature to legalize and regulate the conduct of gaming in this

1 state in counties that by local option election approve the conduct
2 of that gaming."