

House Joint Resolution 7
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 73 to read as follows:

Sec. 73. (a) The Texas Veterans Commission and the Department of State Health Services shall work with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and any other appropriate federal agency to propose that the federal government establish a veterans hospital in the Rio Grande Valley region of the state.

(b) The state may contribute money, property, and other resources to the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a veterans hospital described by this section.

SECTION 2. The constitutional amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to require partnering with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and other federal agencies to establish a veterans hospital in the Rio Grande Valley region of the state."

SENATE VERSION

SECTION 1. Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 73 to read as follows:

Sec. 73. The state may contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans hospitals in this state.

SECTION 2. The constitutional amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the state to contribute money, property, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans hospitals in this state."

CONFERENCE