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H.J.R. No. 9

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment dedicating the revenue from a
2 tax on certain sweetened beverages to fund training and programs to
3 improve the health of public school students.

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

5 SECTION 1. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by
6 adding Section 7-f to read as follows:

7 Sec. 7-f. If the legislature imposes a tax on certain
8 sweetened beverages that is separate from or in addition to the tax
9 imposed on beverages by the general state sales and use tax law, the
10 net revenue derived from that tax shall be deposited to the credit
11 of a separate account in the general revenue fund. Money deposited
12 to the credit of the account may be appropriated only to improve the
13 school health environment, implement and maintain coordinated
14 school health programs in public elementary and secondary schools,
15 and develop and provide training to effectively implement and
16 maintain school health programs in public elementary and secondary
17 schools.

18 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
19 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2011.
20 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
21 proposition: "The constitutional amendment dedicating revenue
22 derived from the imposition of a tax on certain sweetened beverages
23 to fund training and programs to improve the health of public school
24 students."