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S.J.R. No. 37

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment to repeal the provision that  
2 requires the automatic resignation of certain county, municipal, or  
3 district officeholders if they become candidates for another  
4 office.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 65, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is  
7 repealed.

8 SECTION 2. Section 11(a), Article XI, Texas Constitution,  
9 is amended to read as follows:

10 (a) A Home Rule City may provide by charter or charter  
11 amendment, and a city, town or village operating under the general  
12 laws may provide by majority vote of the qualified voters voting at  
13 an election called for that purpose, for a longer term of office  
14 than two (2) years for its officers, either elective or appointive,  
15 or both, but not to exceed four (4) years; provided, however, that  
16 tenure under Civil Service shall not be affected hereby[~~, provided,~~  
17 ~~however, that such officers, elective or appointive, are subject to~~  
18 ~~Section 65(b), Article XVI, of this Constitution, providing for~~  
19 ~~automatic resignation in certain circumstances, in the same manner~~  
20 ~~as a county or district officer to which that section applies].~~

21 SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
22 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2011.  
23 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
24 proposition: "The constitutional amendment to repeal the provision

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