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H.J.R. No. 80

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the authority of
2 the governor to declare a moratorium on the execution of persons
3 convicted of capital offenses.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 11, Article IV, Texas Constitution, is
6 amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

7 (c) The Governor may issue an order prohibiting the Texas
8 Department of Criminal Justice from performing executions on and
9 after the effective date of the order and until the order is
10 revoked, either by the Governor issuing the order or by a successor
11 to the Governor issuing the order.

12 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
13 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.
14 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
15 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
16 governor to declare a moratorium on the execution of persons
17 convicted of capital offenses."