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H.J.R. No. 81

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment designating the sheriff as the  
2 chief law enforcement officer of the county.

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 23, Article 5, Texas Constitution, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Sec. 23. There shall be elected by the qualified voters of  
7 each county a Sheriff, who is the chief law enforcement officer of  
8 the county, who shall hold the [~~his~~] office for the term of four  
9 years, whose duties, qualifications, perquisites, and fees of  
10 office, shall be prescribed by the Legislature, and vacancies in  
11 whose office shall be filled by the Commissioners Court until the  
12 next general election.

13 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
14 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.  
15 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the  
16 proposition: "The constitutional amendment designating the  
17 sheriff as the chief law enforcement officer of the county."