By: Coleman H.J.R. No. 91

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand
- 2 eligibility for the Medicaid program to certain persons.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 5 adding Section 74 to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 74. The state shall provide medical assistance under
- 7 the federal Medicaid program to all persons who apply for that
- 8 <u>assistance</u> and for whom federal matching funds are available under
- 9 the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Pub. L. No.
- 10 111-148) as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation
- 11 Act of 2010 (Pub. L. No. 111-152) to the state to provide that
- 12 <u>assistance.</u>
- 13 SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to
- 14 the Texas Constitution:
- 15 TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) This temporary provision applies
- 16 to the constitutional amendment proposed by the 83rd Legislature,
- 17 Regular Session, 2013, requiring the state to expand eligibility
- 18 for the Medicaid program to all persons for whom federal matching
- 19 funds are available under the federal Patient Protection and
- 20 Affordable Care Act.
- 21 (b) Section 74, Article XVI, of this constitution takes
- 22 effect January 1, 2014.
- 23 (c) This temporary provision expires January 1, 2015.
- SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be

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- 1 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.
- 2 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the
- 3 proposition: "The constitutional amendment requiring the state to
- 4 expand eligibility for the Medicaid program to all persons for whom
- 5 federal matching funds are available under the federal Patient
- 6 Protection and Affordable Care Act."