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H.J.R. No. 123

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the foreclosure  
2 of a lien on homestead property for costs incurred by a municipality  
3 relating to a dangerous structure on the property.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 50, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is  
6 amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

7 (a-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) of this section, the  
8 homestead of a family, or of a single adult person, is not protected  
9 from forced sale for the payment of the costs incurred by a  
10 municipality to vacate, secure, repair, remove, or demolish a  
11 dangerous structure on the homestead property as authorized by the  
12 legislature by general law.

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 permit voting for or against the  
16 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the  
17 foreclosure of a lien on homestead property for the costs incurred  
18 by a municipality to vacate, secure, repair, remove, or demolish a  
19 dangerous structure on the property."