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S.J.R. No. 63

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment appropriating money from the
2 economic stabilization fund for purposes of public education.

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 49-g, Article III, Texas Constitution,
5 is amended by adding Subsection (p) to read as follows:

6 (p) The amount of \$4 billion is appropriated from the
7 economic stabilization fund to the Texas Education Agency for the
8 state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2013, for purposes of
9 the Foundation School Program. The commissioner of education shall
10 use the amount appropriated under this subsection to increase the
11 basic allotment under the Foundation School Program for the
12 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school years. A school district or
13 open-enrollment charter school may use money received as a result
14 of this appropriation for any purpose authorized by general law,
15 including teacher salaries, property tax relief, professional
16 development, building repairs, school safety and security systems,
17 improved access to high-speed Internet services, infrastructure
18 modifications, career and technology course equipment,
19 instructional materials, computers, technology upgrades, and
20 digital library services. The amount appropriated under this
21 subsection is not included in determining the total amount of
22 appropriations from state tax revenues for purposes of Section 22,
23 Article VIII, of this constitution. This subsection expires August
24 31, 2015.

1 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
2 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.
3 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
4 proposition: "The constitutional amendment appropriating \$4
5 billion from the economic stabilization fund for purposes of public
6 education."