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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature 2 to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of certain 3 property owned by or leased to or by a university research 4 technology corporation.

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

6 SECTION 1. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by 7 adding Section 1-p to read as follows:

8 <u>Sec. 1-p. (a) In this section, "university research</u> 9 <u>technology corporation" means a special-purpose corporation</u> 10 <u>created to develop and commercialize technologies that are owned</u> 11 <u>wholly or partly by a public or private institution of higher</u> 12 <u>education in this state or by a nonprofit medical center</u> 13 <u>development corporation with members that are institutions of</u> 14 <u>higher education in this state.</u>

15 (b) The legislature by general law may exempt from ad 16 valorem taxation:

17 (1) the ownership interest of a university research
 18 technology corporation in real and tangible personal property;

19 (2) the ownership interest of a nonprofit medical 20 center development corporation in real and tangible personal 21 property leased to or used or occupied primarily by a university 22 research technology corporation; or

23 (3) the leasehold interest of a university research 24 technology corporation in real and tangible personal property

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1 leased from a nonprofit medical center development corporation.

2 (c) The legislature may impose eligibility requirements for
3 an exemption authorized by this section.

4 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be 5 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2015. 6 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the 7 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the 8 legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of 9 certain property owned by or leased to or by a university research 10 technology corporation."