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H.J.R. No. 73

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
2 to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to
3 conduct charitable raffles.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 47, Article III, Texas Constitution, is
6 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d-1) to
7 read as follows:

8 (a) The Legislature shall pass laws prohibiting lotteries
9 and gift enterprises in this State other than those authorized by
10 Subsections (b), (d), (d-1), and (e) of this section.

11 (d-1) The legislature by general law may permit a
12 professional sports team charitable foundation to conduct
13 charitable raffles under the terms and conditions imposed by
14 general law. The law may authorize the charitable foundation to pay
15 with the raffle proceeds reasonable advertising, promotional, and
16 administrative expenses.

17 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
18 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2015.
19 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
20 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
21 legislature to permit professional sports team charitable
22 foundations to conduct charitable raffles."