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S.J.R. No. 1

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 proposing a constitutional amendment to dedicate the net revenue
3 from the state lottery to the foundation school fund, including a
4 portion dedicated to funding salary increases and bonuses for
5 experienced public school classroom teachers and costs associated
6 with school district teacher retirement contributions.

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

8 SECTION 1. Section 47, Article III, Texas Constitution, is
9 amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

10 (f) Beginning with the state fiscal year that begins
11 September 1, 2019, revenue received by the State in each state
12 fiscal year from the operation of lotteries, after the payment of
13 administrative costs, amounts paid for lottery prizes, and any net
14 proceeds paid for veterans' assistance attributable to a lottery
15 game established by law to fund veterans' assistance, shall be
16 deposited in the foundation school fund established by law. Fifty
17 percent of the funds desposited in the foundation school fund from
18 the operation of lotteries may be used only to fund salary increases
19 and bonuses for public school classroom teachers with at least six
20 years of teaching experience and for the school district teacher
21 retirement contribution costs exclusively associated with salary
22 adjustments authorized by this provision.

23 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
24 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017.

1 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
2 proposition: "The constitutional amendment to dedicate the net
3 revenue from the state lottery to the foundation school fund, and to
4 dedicate 50 percent of that net revenue to funding salary increases
5 and bonuses for experienced public school classroom teachers and
6 school district costs associated with teacher retirement
7 contributions authorized by this provision."