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H.J.R. No. 47

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment to change the name of the  
2 Railroad Commission of Texas to the Texas Energy Commission and to  
3 mandate that there be such an agency.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 30(b), Article XVI, Texas Constitution,  
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The Texas Energy [~~When a Railroad~~] Commission [~~is~~  
8 ~~created by law it~~] shall be composed of three Commissioners who  
9 shall be elected by the people at a general election for State  
10 officers, and their terms of office shall be six years. And one  
11 [~~Railroad~~] Commissioner shall be elected every two years. In case  
12 of vacancy in said office the Governor of the State shall fill said  
13 vacancy by appointment until the next general election.

14 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
15 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017.  
16 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
17 proposition: "The constitutional amendment to change the name of  
18 the Railroad Commission of Texas to the Texas Energy Commission and  
19 to mandate that there be such an agency."