By: Schofield H.J.R. No. 58

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of
- 2 an individual income tax.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 1(c), Article VIII, Texas Constitution,
- 5 is amended to read as follows:
- 6 (c) The Legislature may provide for the taxation of
- 7 intangible property and may also impose occupation taxes, both upon
- 8 natural persons and upon corporations, other than municipal, doing
- 9 any business in this State. The Legislature [Subject to the
- 10 restrictions of Section 24 of this article, it] may also tax incomes
- 11 of [both natural persons and] corporations other than municipal.
- 12 Persons engaged in mechanical and agricultural pursuits shall never
- 13 be required to pay an occupation tax.
- 14 SECTION 2. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 15 adding Section 24-a to read as follows:
- Sec. 24-a. The legislature may not impose a tax on the net
- 17 incomes of individuals, including an individual's share of
- 18 partnership and unincorporated association income.
- 19 SECTION 3. Section 24, Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is
- 20 repealed.
- 21 SECTION 4. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 22 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017.
- 23 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 24 proposition: "The constitutional amendment prohibiting the

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- 1 imposition of an individual income tax, including a tax on an  $\ensuremath{\text{a}}$
- 2 individual's share of partnership and unincorporated association
- 3 income."