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S.J.R. No. 8

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment denying bail to certain
2 persons who are unlawfully present in the United States and are
3 taken into custody for committing a felony.

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

5 SECTION 1. Article I, Texas Constitution, is amended by
6 adding Section 11d to read as follows:

7 Sec. 11d. A person taken into custody for committing a
8 felony shall be denied release on bail pending trial if a judge or
9 magistrate, following a hearing, determines that the person is not
10 a citizen or national of the United States and is not lawfully
11 present in the United States.

12 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
13 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017.
14 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the
15 proposition: "The constitutional amendment denying bail to certain
16 persons who are unlawfully present in the United States and are
17 taken into custody for committing a felony."