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A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas resilience infrastructure fund to assist in the financing of resilience projects.

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

SECTION 1.  Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 49-d-14 to read as follows:

Sec. 49-d-14.  (a)  The Texas resilience infrastructure fund is created as a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund.

(b)  As provided by general law, money in the Texas resilience infrastructure fund may be administered and used, without further appropriation, by the Texas Water Development Board or that board's successor in function to provide financing for projects to prevent flooding or mitigate damage from flooding related to a rainstorm, tropical storm or depression, hurricane, or storm surge affecting in this state or coastal public land:

(1)  public health or welfare;

(2)  public or private property; or

(3)  habitat for fish or wildlife.

(c)  Separate accounts may be established in the Texas resilience infrastructure fund as necessary to administer the fund or authorized projects.

SECTION 2.  This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas resilience infrastructure fund to assist in the financing of resilience projects."