By: Phelan H.J.R. No. 4

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of
- 2 the flood infrastructure fund to assist in the financing of
- 3 drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control projects.
- 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 6 adding Section 49-d-14 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 49-d-14. (a) The flood infrastructure fund is created
- 8 as a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue
- 9 fund.
- 10 (b) As provided by general law, money in the flood
- 11 infrastructure fund may be administered and used, without further
- 12 appropriation, by the Texas Water Development Board or that board's
- 13 successor in function to provide financing for a drainage, flood
- 14 mitigation, or flood control project, including:
- 15 (1) planning and design activities;
- (2) work to obtain regulatory approval to provide
- 17 nonstructural and structural flood mitigation and drainage; or
- 18 (3) construction of structural flood mitigation and
- 19 drainage infrastructure.
- 20 <u>(c) Separate accounts may be established in the flood</u>
- 21 infrastructure fund as necessary to administer the fund or
- 22 authorized projects.
- 23 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 24 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019.

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- 1 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 2 proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the
- 3 creation of the flood infrastructure fund to assist in the
- 4 financing of drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control
- 5 projects."