

By: Murr

H.J.R. No. 62

Substitute the following for H.J.R. No. 62:

By: Collier

C.S.H.J.R. No. 62

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail
2 to an accused person if necessary to ensure the person's appearance
3 in court and the safety of the community and the victim of the
4 alleged offense.

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

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

8 Sec. 11d. The legislature by law may authorize the denial of
9 bail pending trial for a person accused of a violent or sexual
10 offense if a judge or magistrate determines by clear and convincing
11 evidence that requiring bail and conditions of release is
12 insufficient to reasonably ensure:

13 (1) the person's appearance in court as required; or

14 (2) the safety of the community or the victim of the
15 alleged offense.

16 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
17 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019.
18 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
19 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial
20 of bail to an accused person if necessary to ensure the person's
21 appearance in court and the safety of the community and the victim
22 of the alleged offense."