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H.J.R. No. 70

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the governing  
2 body of a county or municipality to adopt a local option exemption  
3 from ad valorem taxation of a portion, expressed as a dollar amount,  
4 of the market value of real property of a business that provides, or  
5 pays for the provision of, certain services for honorably  
6 discharged veterans without cost.

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

8 SECTION 1. Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended by  
9 adding Section 1-u to read as follows:

10 Sec. 1-u. The governing body of a county or municipality may  
11 exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion, expressed as a dollar  
12 amount as prescribed by the legislature by general law, of the  
13 market value of real property that a person owns and uses to operate  
14 a business that provides, or pays for the provision of, housing,  
15 substance abuse treatment, residential treatment services, case  
16 management services, or mental health counseling for one or more  
17 honorably discharged veterans of the armed services of the United  
18 States without cost. The legislature by general law may provide  
19 additional eligibility requirements for the exemption.

20 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
21 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019.  
22 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
23 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the  
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