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H.J.R. No. 117

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing a statewide  
2 referendum allowing voters to indicate a preference for exempting  
3 this state from daylight saving time or observing daylight saving  
4 time year-round.

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

6 SECTION 1. Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by  
7 adding Section 74 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 74. (a) The legislature by general law may:

9 (1) hold a statewide referendum that allows the voters  
10 to indicate a preference for either:

11 (A) exempting the state from daylight saving  
12 time; or

13 (B) observing daylight saving time year-round;  
14 and

15 (2) enact a law based on the results of the referendum  
16 exempting the state from daylight saving time or providing for  
17 observing daylight saving time year-round.

18 (b) A statewide referendum described by Subsection (a) of  
19 this section that is held on the same day as the election on the  
20 constitutional amendment to add this section to this article is  
21 hereby validated.

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

1 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the state  
2 to conduct a statewide referendum to allow the voters to choose  
3 between exempting the state from daylight saving time and observing  
4 daylight saving time year-round and authorizing the legislature to  
5 enact legislation that gives effect to the option preferred by a  
6 majority of the voters voting in the statewide referendum."