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## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature
- 2 to provide for a temporary local option exemption from ad valorem
- 3 taxation of a portion of the appraised value of certain property
- 4 damaged by a disaster.
- 5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 2, Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is
- 7 amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:
- 8 <u>(e)</u> The Legislature by general law may provide that a person
- 9 who owns property located in an area declared by the governor to be
- 10 <u>a disaster area following a disaster is entitled to a temporary</u>
- 11 exemption from ad valorem taxation by a political subdivision of a
- 12 portion of the appraised value of that property if the exemption is
- 13 adopted by the governing body of the political subdivision. The
- 14 Legislature by general law may prescribe the method of determining
- 15 the amount of the exemption authorized by this subsection and the
- 16 duration of the exemption and may provide additional eligibility
- 17 requirements for the exemption.
- 18 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 19 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019.
- 20 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 21 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
- 22 legislature to provide for a temporary local option exemption from
- 23 ad valorem taxation of a portion of the appraised value of certain
- 24 property damaged by a disaster."