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A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment protecting an individual's right to earn a living free from unnecessary governmental interference.

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

SECTION 1.  Article I, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 35 to read as follows:

Sec. 35.  (a) An individual has the right to engage in a lawful occupation or profession free from unnecessary regulation.

(b)  This state or a political subdivision of this state may not enact or enforce a regulation that imposes a substantial burden on an individual's right to engage in a lawful occupation or profession unless the regulation is necessary and narrowly tailored to protect against actual and specific harm to the public's health and safety.

SECTION 2.  This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 2, 2021. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment protecting an individual's right to earn a living free from unnecessary governmental interference."