By: Thompson of Harris, et al. H.J.R. No. 10 Substitute the following for H.J.R. No. 10: By: Murr C.S.H.J.R. No. 10

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature 2 to enact laws providing for a court to terminate the sentence of a 3 person who has successfully served the required number of years on 4 parole.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 11(a), Article IV, Texas Constitution, 7 is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Legislature shall by law establish a Board of 8 9 Pardons and Paroles and shall require it to keep record of its actions and the reasons for its actions. The Legislature shall have 10 11 authority to enact parole laws, including laws authorizing a court 12 to terminate the sentence of a person who has successfully served the specified number of years on parole required by law, and laws 13 that require or permit courts to inform juries about the effect of 14 good conduct time and eligibility for parole or mandatory 15 16 supervision on the period of incarceration served by a defendant convicted of a criminal offense. 17

18 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be 19 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 2021. 20 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the 21 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the 22 legislature to enact laws providing for a court to terminate the 23 sentence of a person who has successfully served the required 24 number of years on parole."

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