

By: Swanson

H.J.R. No. 33

A JOINT RESOLUTION

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

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

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

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

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

15 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
16 submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 2,  
17 2021. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against  
18 the proposition: "The constitutional amendment protecting an  
19 individual's right to earn a living free from unnecessary  
20 governmental interference."