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## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment removing the limit on the
- 2 state's contribution to the Employees Retirement System of Texas.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 67(b)(3), Article XVI, Texas
- 5 Constitution, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 (3) The amount contributed by a person participating
- 7 in the Employees Retirement System of Texas or the Teacher
- 8 Retirement System of Texas shall be established by the legislature
- 9 but may not be less than six percent of current compensation. The
- 10 amount contributed by the state to the Employees Retirement System
- 11 of Texas may not be less than six percent of the aggregate
- 12 compensation paid to individuals participating in the system. The
- 13 amount contributed by the state to the Teacher Retirement System of
- 14 Texas may not be less than six percent nor more than 10 percent of
- 15 the aggregate compensation paid to individuals participating in the
- 16 system. In an emergency, as determined by the governor, the
- 17 legislature may appropriate such additional sums as are actuarially
- 18 determined to be required to fund benefits authorized by law.
- 19 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 20 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 2021.
- 21 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 22 proposition: "The constitutional amendment removing the limit on
- 23 the state's contributions to the Employees Retirement System of
- 24 Texas."