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H.J.R. No. 143

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the professional
2 sports team charitable foundations of organizations sanctioned by
3 certain professional associations to conduct charitable raffles at
4 rodeo venues.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 47(d-1), Article III, Texas
7 Constitution, is amended to read as follows:

8 (d-1) The legislature by general law may permit a
9 professional sports team charitable foundation to conduct
10 charitable raffles under the terms and conditions imposed by
11 general law. The law may authorize the charitable foundation to pay
12 with the raffle proceeds reasonable advertising, promotional, and
13 administrative expenses. A law enacted under this subsection
14 applies only to an entity defined as a professional sports team
15 charitable foundation under that law and may only allow charitable
16 raffles to be conducted at games or rodeo events hosted at the home
17 venue of the professional sports team associated with a
18 professional sports team charitable foundation. In this
19 subsection, "professional sports team" means:

20 (1) a team organized in this state that is a member of
21 Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the
22 National Hockey League, the National Football League, Major League
23 Soccer, the American Hockey League, the East Coast Hockey League,
24 the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball, the

1 Atlantic League of Professional Baseball, Minor League Baseball,
2 the National Basketball Association Development League, the
3 National Women's Soccer League, the Major Arena Soccer League, the
4 United Soccer League, or the Women's National Basketball
5 Association;

6 (2) a person hosting a motorsports racing team event
7 sanctioned by the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing
8 (NASCAR), INDYCar, or another nationally recognized motorsports
9 racing association at a venue in this state with a permanent seating
10 capacity of not less than 75,000;

11 (3) an organization hosting a Professional Golf
12 Association event; ~~[or]~~

13 (4) an organization sanctioned by the Professional
14 Rodeo Cowboys Association or the Women's Professional Rodeo
15 Association; or

16 (5) any other professional sports team defined by law.

17 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
18 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 2021.
19 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the
20 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
21 professional sports team charitable foundations of organizations
22 sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association or the
23 Women's Professional Rodeo Association to conduct charitable
24 raffles at rodeo venues."