1-1 By: Hancock, et al. S.J.R. No. 27 (In the Senate - Filed January 25, 2021; March 3, 2021, read 1-2 1-3 time and referred to Committee on State first Affairs; 1-4 March 17, 2021, reported adversely, with favorable Committee 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 2; March 17, 2021, 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE 1-8 Absent PNV Yea Nay Hughes 1-9 Х 1-10 1-11 Х Birdwell Campbell Х 1-12 Hall Х 1-13 Х Lucio Nelson Х 1-14 1**-**15 1**-**16 Powell Х Schwertner Х 1-17 Zaffirini χ

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment to prohibit this state or a political subdivision of this state from prohibiting or limiting 1-20 1-21 1**-**22 religious services of religious organizations. 1-23

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

SECTION 1. Article I, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 6-a to read as follows: 1-24 1-25

Sec. 6-a. This state or a political subdivision of this state may not enact, adopt, or issue a statute, order, proclamation, decision, or rule that prohibits or limits religious 1-26 1-27 1-28 services, including religious services conducted in churches, 1-29 1-30 congregations, and places of worship, in this state by a religious organization established to support and serve the propagation of a sincerely held religious belief. SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be 1-31 1-32

1-33 1-34 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 2021. 1-35 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit this state or a political subdivision of this state from prohibiting or 1-36 1 - 37limiting religious services of religious organizations." 1-38

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