

## **RESOLUTION ANALYSIS**

H.J.R. 107  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

State law currently requires judges and justices to retire at the age of 75. However, given today's longer life expectancies, 75 is no longer a reasonable age to mandate someone step down from the bench. H.J.R. 107 proposes a constitutional amendment to raise the mandatory retirement age to 79 to ensure that experienced, respected judges and justices are not forced to retire too early.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this resolution does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this resolution does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.J.R. 107 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution to raise the mandatory age of retirement for state justices and judges from 75 to 79.

### **ELECTION DATE**

The constitutional amendment proposed by this joint resolution will be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023.