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A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to set a minimum amount of monetary bond for persons charged with stalking or an offense involving family violence.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 11, Article I, Texas Constitution, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 11.  (a) All prisoners shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, unless for capital offenses [~~offences~~], when the proof is evident; but this provision shall not be so construed as to prevent bail after indictment found upon examination of the evidence, in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

(b)  The legislature by general law may set a minimum amount of monetary bail that must be imposed in a case in which a person is accused of committing the offense of stalking or an offense involving family violence, as defined by the legislature.

SECTION 2.  This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to set a minimum amount of monetary bond for persons charged with stalking or an offense involving family violence."