H.J.R. No. 134

A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of county treasurer of Galveston County.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 44, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d)  The office of County Treasurer in Galveston County is abolished. The Commissioners Court of Galveston County may employ or contract with a qualified person or may designate another county officer to perform any of the functions that would have been performed by the County Treasurer if the office had not been abolished.

SECTION 2.  The following temporary provision is added to the Texas Constitution:

TEMPORARY PROVISION.  (a) The constitutional amendment proposed by the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, abolishing the office of County Treasurer in Galveston County takes effect only if, at the statewide election at which the amendment is submitted to and approved by the voters, a majority of the voters of Galveston County voting on the question at that election also favor the amendment. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2024, if the conditions of this subsection are met.

(b)  This temporary provision expires January 2, 2024.

SECTION 3.  This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 7, 2023. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the abolition of the office of county treasurer in Galveston County."

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    President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.J.R. No. 134 was passed by the House on May 10, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 106, Nays 32, 3 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.J.R. No. 134 was passed by the Senate on May 16, 2023, by the following vote:  Yeas 27, Nays 4.

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Secretary of the Senate

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