By:  Birdwell S.J.R. No. 35

(In the Senate - Filed January 25, 2023; February 17, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs; March 22, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; March 22, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Hughes          X

Paxton          X

Bettencourt     X

Birdwell        X

LaMantia        X

Menéndez        X

Middleton       X

Parker          X

Perry           X

Schwertner      X

Zaffirini       X

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment clarifying that a voter must be a United States citizen.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 1(a), Article VI, Texas Constitution, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  The following classes of persons shall not be allowed to vote in this State:

(1)  persons under 18 years of age;

(2)  persons who have been determined mentally incompetent by a court, subject to such exceptions as the Legislature may make; [~~and~~]

(3)  persons convicted of any felony, subject to such exceptions as the Legislature may make; and

(4)  persons who are not citizens of the United States.

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 clarifying that a voter must be a United States citizen."

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