By: Vasut H.J.R. No. 46

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing legislative
- 2 action at any time during a regular session of the legislature.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 5(b), Article III, Texas Constitution,
- 5 is amended to read as follows:
- 6 (b) During any time the Legislature is [When] convened in
- 7 regular Session, the <u>Legislature may introduce</u>, hold committee
- 8 hearings to consider, and otherwise act on any bill or resolution,
- 9 and may pass [first thirty days thereof shall be devoted to the
- 10 introduction of bills and resolutions, acting upon emergency
- 11 appropriations, passing upon the confirmation of the recess
- 12 appointees of the Governor and such emergency matters as may be
- 13 submitted by the Governor in special messages to the Legislature.
- 14 [During the succeeding thirty days of the regular session of the
- 15 Legislature the various committees of each House shall hold
- 16 hearings to consider all bills and resolutions and other matters
- 17 then pending; and such emergency matters as may be submitted by the
- 18 Governor. During the remainder of the session the Legislature
- 19 shall act upon such bills and resolutions as may be then pending and
- 20 upon such emergency matters as may be submitted by the Governor in
- 21 special messages to the Legislature.
- 22 SECTION 2. Section 5(c), Article III, Texas Constitution,
- 23 is repealed.
- SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be

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- 1 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023.
- 2 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 3 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing
- 4 legislative action at any time during a regular session of the
- 5 legislature."