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H.J.R. No. 197

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment to allow certain officers to
2 become candidates for an office of profit or trust without
3 automatically resigning from their current office.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 65(a), Article XVI, Texas Constitution,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 (a) This section applies to the following offices serving
8 counties with a population of 100,000 or more according to the most
9 recent federal decennial census: District Clerks; County Clerks;
10 County Judges; Judges of the County Courts at Law, County Criminal
11 Courts, County Probate Courts and County Domestic Relations Courts;
12 County Treasurers; Criminal District Attorneys; County Surveyors;
13 County Commissioners; Justices of the Peace; Sheriffs; Assessors
14 and Collectors of Taxes; District Attorneys; County Attorneys;
15 Public Weighers; and Constables.

16 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
17 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2023.
18 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
19 proposition: "The constitutional amendment to allow an officer of a
20 county with a population of less than 100,000 to become a candidate
21 for another office without automatically resigning from the
22 currently held office."