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S.J.R. No. 52

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 extending the deadline for the automatic rescission of certain
2 applications made by the Texas Legislature to the United States
3 Congress to call a national convention under Article V of the United
4 States Constitution for proposing any amendment to that
5 constitution.

6 WHEREAS, The 85th Legislature of the State of Texas, Regular
7 Session, 2017, enacted S.J.R. No. 38 to officially rescind, repeal,
8 revoke, cancel, void, and nullify certain applications from Texas
9 legislatures prior to the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017,
10 that apply to the United States Congress for the calling of a
11 convention under Article V of the United States Constitution; and

12 WHEREAS, S.J.R. No. 38 additionally provided that any
13 application to the United States Congress for the calling of a
14 convention under Article V of the United States Constitution that
15 is submitted by the Texas Legislature during or after the Regular
16 Session of the 85th Legislature will be automatically rescinded,
17 repealed, revoked, canceled, voided, and nullified if the
18 applicable convention is not called on or before the eighth
19 anniversary of the date the last legislative vote is taken on the
20 application; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas,
22 Regular Session, 2023, hereby officially rescinds, repeals,
23 revokes, cancels, voids, and nullifies the provision of S.J.R.
24 No. 38 that provided for the automatic rescission, repeal,

1 revocation, cancellation, voiding, and nullification of any
2 application from the Texas Legislature after the eighth anniversary
3 of the date the last legislative vote was taken on the application;
4 and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas,
6 Regular Session, 2023, hereby declares that any application to the
7 United States Congress for the calling of a convention under
8 Article V of the United States Constitution that is submitted by the
9 Texas Legislature during or after the 85th Legislature of the State
10 of Texas, Regular Session, 2017, shall be automatically rescinded,
11 repealed, revoked, canceled, voided, and nullified if the
12 applicable convention is not called on or before the 16th
13 anniversary of the date the last legislative vote is taken on the
14 application; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
16 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to
17 the speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, to
18 the vice president of the United States in the vice president's
19 capacity as the presiding officer of the Senate of the United States
20 at the office located in the United States Capitol Building, and to
21 all members of the Texas delegation to Congress with the request
22 that this resolution be officially entered in the Congressional
23 Record.