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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment to prohibit a court from issuing an opinion without disclosing the judge who authored the opinion.

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

SECTION 1. Article V, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 1-b to read as follows:

Sec. 1-b. The authorship of an opinion published by a court is public information. A court may not issue a per curiam decision.

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 to prohibit a court from issuing an opinion without disclosing the judge who authored the opinion."