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H.J.R. No. 35

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment providing that members of the  
2 legislature are not entitled to receive a state salary, per diem, or  
3 reimbursement for mileage for an unexcused absence when the  
4 applicable house of the legislature lacks a quorum.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 24, Article III, Texas Constitution, is  
7 amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

8 (d) Notwithstanding Subsections (a) and (c) of this  
9 section, a member of the legislature is not entitled to receive any  
10 salary, per diem, or reimbursement for mileage to which the member  
11 would otherwise be entitled for any period during which the member  
12 is absent unexcused and the house of the legislature of which the  
13 person is a member lacks a quorum to do business.

14 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be  
15 submitted to the voters at an election to be held May 2, 2026. The  
16 ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the  
17 proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing that members  
18 of the legislature are not entitled to receive a state salary, per  
19 diem, or reimbursement for mileage for an unexcused absence when  
20 the applicable house of the legislature lacks a quorum."