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H.J.R. No. 110

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the filing of
2 required political funding reports and personal financial
3 statements to be eligible to hold certain public elective offices.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 6, Article III, Texas Constitution, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 6. To be eligible to be a candidate for, or elected or
8 appointed to, the office of ~~No person shall be a~~ Senator, a person
9 must:

10 (1) ~~unless he~~ be a citizen of the United States;

11 (2) be, [and] at the time of the person's [his]
12 election or appointment, a qualified voter of this State;

13 (3) ~~[, and shall]~~ have been a resident of this State
14 for the five years ~~[next]~~ preceding the [his] election or
15 appointment;

16 (4) have been ~~[, and the last year thereof]~~ a resident
17 of the district for which the person would serve as a Senator for
18 the year preceding the election or appointment;

19 (5) be at least 26 ~~[he shall be chosen, and shall have~~
20 ~~attained the age of twenty-six]~~ years of age; and

21 (6) have filed each political funding report or
22 personal financial statement required by law before the date the
23 person becomes ineligible under general law as a result of the
24 person's failure to timely file the report or statement.

1 SECTION 2. Section 7, Article III, Texas Constitution, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Sec. 7. To be eligible to be a candidate for, or elected or
4 appointed to, the office of ~~[No person shall be a]~~ Representative, a
5 person must:

6 (1) ~~[unless he]~~ be a citizen of the United States;

7 (2) be, [and] at the time of the person's [his]
8 election or appointment, a qualified voter of this State;

9 (3) ~~[, and shall]~~ have been a resident of this State
10 for the two years [next] preceding the [his] election or
11 appointment;

12 (4) have been [, the last year thereof] a resident of
13 the district for which the person would serve as a Representative
14 for the year preceding the election or appointment;

15 (5) be at least 21 [he shall be chosen, and shall have
16 ~~attained the age of twenty-one]~~ years of age; and

17 (6) have filed each political funding report or
18 personal financial statement required by law before the date the
19 person becomes ineligible under general law as a result of the
20 person's failure to timely file the report or statement.

21 SECTION 3. Section 4, Article IV, Texas Constitution, is
22 amended to read as follows:

23 Sec. 4. The Governor elected at the general election ~~[in~~
24 ~~1974, and thereafter,~~] shall be installed on the first Tuesday
25 after the organization of the Legislature, or as soon thereafter as
26 practicable, and shall hold that [his] office for the term of four
27 years, or until the Governor's [his] successor shall be duly

1 installed. To be eligible to be a candidate for or elected to the
2 office of Governor, a person must:

3 (1) [He shall] be at least thirty years of age;

4 (2) be [T] a citizen of the United States;

5 (3) have been a resident of[, and shall have resided
6 in] this State for the [at least] five years immediately preceding
7 the [his] election; and

8 (4) have filed each political funding report or
9 personal financial statement required by law before the date the
10 person becomes ineligible under general law as a result of the
11 person's failure to timely file the report or statement.

12 SECTION 4. Section 2(b), Article V, Texas Constitution, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 (b) To [No person shall] be eligible to be a candidate for,
15 or elected or appointed to, [serve in] the office of Chief Justice
16 or Justice of the Supreme Court, a [unless the] person must:

17 (1) be [is] licensed to practice law in the State of
18 Texas;

19 (2) be [is], at the time of the person's election or
20 appointment, a citizen of the United States and a resident of the
21 State of Texas;

22 (3) be at least 35 [has attained the age of
23 thirty-five] years of age;

24 (4) have [has] been either:

25 (A) a practicing lawyer licensed in the State of
26 Texas for at least ten years; or

27 (B) a practicing lawyer licensed in the State of

1 Texas and judge of a state court or county court established by the
2 Legislature by statute for a combined total of at least ten years;
3 [and]

4 (5) during the time required by Subdivision (4) of
5 this subsection, have [has] not had the person's license to
6 practice law revoked, suspended, or subject to a probated
7 suspension; and

8 (6) have filed each political funding report or
9 personal financial statement required by law before the date the
10 person becomes ineligible under general law as a result of the
11 person's failure to timely file the report or statement.

12 SECTION 5. Section 7(b), Article V, Texas Constitution, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 (b) Each district judge shall be elected by the qualified
15 voters at a General Election. To be eligible for appointment or
16 election as a district judge, a person must:

17 (1) be a citizen of the United States and a resident of
18 this State;

19 (2) be licensed to practice law in this State;

20 (3) have been a practicing lawyer or a Judge of a Court
21 in this State, or both combined, for eight years next preceding the
22 judge's election, during which time the judge's license to practice
23 law has not been revoked, suspended, or subject to a probated
24 suspension;

25 (4) have resided in the district in which the judge was
26 elected for two years next preceding the election; [and]

27 (5) reside in the district during the judge's term of

1 office; and

2 (6) have filed each political funding report or
3 personal financial statement required by law before the date the
4 person becomes ineligible under general law as a result of the
5 person's failure to timely file the report or statement.

6 SECTION 6. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
7 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2025.
8 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
9 proposition: "The constitutional amendment requiring the filing of
10 required political funding reports and personal financial
11 statements to be eligible to hold certain public elective offices."