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## A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment clarifying that a voter must
- 2 be a United States citizen.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 1(a), Article VI, Texas Constitution, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (a) The following classes of persons shall not be allowed to
- 7 vote in this State:
- 8 (1) persons under 18 years of age;
- 9 (2) persons who have been determined mentally
- 10 incompetent by a court, subject to such exceptions as the
- 11 Legislature may make; [and]
- 12 (3) persons convicted of any felony, subject to such
- 13 exceptions as the Legislature may make; and
- 14 (4) persons who are not citizens of the United States.
- 15 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 16 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2025.
- 17 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
- 18 proposition: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that a voter
- 19 must be a United States citizen."