By: Paxton S.J.R. No. 51

A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment protecting children by
- 2 allowing for retroactive laws regarding civil causes of action
- 3 arising out of child sexual abuse.
- 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 16, Article I, Texas Constitution, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 16. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), no [No]
- 8 bill of attainder, ex post facto law, retroactive law, or any law
- 9 impairing the obligation of contracts, shall be made.
- 10 (b) Retroactive laws may be made as to a civil cause of
- 11 action arising out of child sexual abuse.
- 12 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 13 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 4, 2025.
- 14 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the
- 15 proposition: "The constitutional amendment protecting children by
- 16 allowing retroactive laws regarding civil causes of action arising
- 17 out of child sexual abuse."