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S.J.R. No. 52

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the Kickapoo
2 Traditional Tribe of Texas to conduct gaming on certain lands under
3 state law; limiting certain taxes and fees.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 47(a), Article III, Texas Constitution,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 (a) The Legislature shall pass laws prohibiting lotteries
8 and gift enterprises in this State other than those authorized by
9 Subsections (b), (d), (d-1), and (e) of this section and Section 47a
10 of this article.

11 SECTION 2. Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by
12 adding Section 47a to read as follows:

13 Sec. 47a. (a) If, after January 1, 2025, this state by
14 general law or constitutional amendment authorizes video lottery
15 terminals, slot machines, or other forms of gaming not otherwise
16 authorized before that date within 200 miles of the boundary of the
17 reservation of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas near Eagle
18 Pass, Texas, the tribe is authorized to offer at a location the
19 tribe designates any game, device, or other form of gaming,
20 including any form of mobile gaming, authorized under that law or
21 amendment. The number of games or devices authorized at the
22 designated location is equal to any maximum number of games or
23 devices authorized under that law or amendment for other gaming
24 locations. The designated location must be on land in this state

1 owned or leased by the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas that is
2 outside the boundary of the tribe's reservation.

3 (b) The gaming authorized under this section shall be
4 regulated by the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas and the
5 Secretary of State. A rule on gaming conducted by the tribe that
6 this state adopts may not be more restrictive than a rule applicable
7 to other comparable types of gaming licensed by this state.

8 (c) A state or local tax rate or fee may not be imposed on
9 the tribe's gaming operations in an amount that exceeds the amount
10 of a tax rate or fee imposed on the operators of other gaming
11 locations or facilities in this state.

12 SECTION 3. 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 permit voting for or against the
15 proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the
16 Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to conduct gaming on certain
17 lands under state law."