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A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment regarding the time during which the legislature may act on bills or resolutions during a regular session.

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

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

(b) When convened in regular Session, the first thirty days thereof shall be devoted to the introduction of bills and resolutions, acting upon emergency appropriations, passing upon the confirmation of the recess appointees of the Governor and such emergency matters as may be submitted by the Governor in special messages to the Legislature. [~~During the succeeding thirty days of the regular session of the Legislature the various committees of each House shall hold hearings to consider all bills and resolutions and other matters then pending; and such emergency matters as may be submitted by the Governor.~~] During the remainder of the session the Legislature shall hold hearings and act upon such bills and resolutions as may be then pending and upon such emergency matters as may be submitted by the Governor in special messages to the Legislature.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 2027. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment regarding the time

during which the legislature may act on bills or resolutions during a regular session."