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A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 proposing a constitutional amendment to require the legislature to
- 2 appropriate funds to state institutions of higher education to fund
- 3 certain education programs for veterans.
- 4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Article VII, Texas Constitution, is amended by
- 6 adding Section 21 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 21. The legislature shall appropriate to each state
- 8 institution of higher education, out of the first money coming into
- 9 the treasury not otherwise appropriated by this constitution, an
- 10 amount sufficient to fund at least 50 percent of the cost to the
- 11 institutions of providing tuition and fee exemptions for veterans
- 12 under a program created by the legislature by general law.
- 13 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
- 14 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019.
- 15 The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the
- 16 proposition: "The constitutional amendment requiring the
- 17 legislature to appropriate funds to state institutions of higher
- 18 education to fund certain education programs for veterans."