

# The Capitol Ledger



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## Proposed Constitutional Amendments

### Proposition 1 (House Joint Resolution 72)

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 72 would permit a person to hold more than one office as an elected or appointed municipal judge in more than one municipality at the same time if the person receives no salary or compensation for any office of municipal judge held by the person.

### Proposition 2 (Senate Joint Resolution 79)

The constitutional amendment proposed by SJR 79 would allow the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) to issue additional bonds for the Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP) account of the Texas Water Development Fund in an amount that would not exceed \$200 million. The bond revenue would be used to provide assistance for the development of water supply and sewer service projects in economically distressed areas of the state.

### Proposition 3 (House Joint Resolution 34)

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 34 authorizes the legislature to provide for temporary exemption (15-100%) from property taxes in the event of a disaster declared by the Governor. Rep. Shine authored this constitutional amendment after seeing the effects of Hurricane Harvey on the taxpayer after their property was damaged.

### Proposition 4 (House Joint Resolution 38)

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 38 would amend the Texas Constitution to prohibit the Legislature from imposing a net income tax on individuals. If you are supportive of Texas not having an income tax then you should vote yes for this constitutional amendment.

### Proposition 5 (Senate Joint Resolution 24)

The constitutional amendment proposed by SJR 24 would amend the state constitution to automatically send all revenue collected from the sporting good sales tax to the Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Historical Commission.

# Proposed Constitutional Amendments Continued

## **Proposition 6 (House Joint Resolution 12)**

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 12 would amend to the Texas Constitution to allow an additional \$3 billion in bonds to be issued on behalf of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT).

## **Proposition 7 (House Joint Resolution 151)**

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 151 would raise the cap on the amount of revenue from Public School Fund lands during that year which the General Land Office or State Board of Education may distribute to the Available School Fund from \$300 million to \$600 million.

## **Proposition 8 (House Joint Resolution 4)**

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 4 would create the Flood Infrastructure Fund. The fund would be held in the state treasury outside of the General Revenue Fund and would be administered by the Texas Water Development Board in order to assist in the financing of drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control projects. The enabling legislation for this resolution is HB 13 and HB 478.

## **Proposition 9 (House Joint Resolution 95)**

The constitutional amendment proposed by HJR 95 proposes to amend Article VIII of the Texas Constitution to allow the Legislature to exempt precious metals held for income-producing purposes from property taxation if they are stored in a qualifying precious metal depository in this state.

## **Proposition 10 (Senate Joint Resolution 32)**

The constitutional amendment proposed by SJR 32 would allow a county to transfer ownership of a dog used for law enforcement purposes to the dog's handler at no cost to the handler.

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## Election Dates and Information

### WHEN CAN I VOTE?

- October 7, 2019 - Last day to register to vote in General Election
- October 21 - November 1, 2019 - Early Voting in General Election
- November 5, 2019 - General Election Day

For more voting information, please visit the Texas Secretary of State's website at [www.votetexas.gov](http://www.votetexas.gov)

You'll need a photo ID to vote. Acceptable forms of ID include your driver's license, personal ID, License to Carry, military ID, citizenship certificate, and passport. If you do not have one of these forms of photo ID, Election Identification Certificates are available from DPS driver's license offices during their regular business hours. If you do not possess one of the [seven \(7\) acceptable forms of photo identification](#) and cannot obtain one due to a reasonable impediment, show a [supporting form of identification](#) to the election official and execute a Reasonable Impediment Declaration.