

JOINT RESOLUTION

To be Entitled.

1. A JOINT RESOLUTION TO AMEND SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE VI OF THE
2 CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE
3 FELAMES TO VOTE, AND PROVIDING THAT THE GOVERNOR SHALL SUB-
4 MIT THE SAME TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF TEXAS AY A SPECIAL
5 ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE FIRST TUESDAY IN NOVEMBER, 1918,
6 AND APPROPRIATING FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000.00) DOLLARS, OR
7 SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF
8 CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION.
9. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
10. SECTION 1. That Section 2 of Article VI of the Constitution
11. of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as
12. follows:
13. Article VI. Section 2. Every person subject to none of
14. the foregoing disqualifications, who shall have attained the
15. age of twenty-one years, and who shall be a citizen of the
16. United States, and who shall have resided in this State one
17. year next preceding an election, and the last six months
18. within the district pr county in which he or she offers to
19. vote, shall be deemed a qualified voter; and every person of
20. foreign birth subject to none of the foregoing disqualifica-
21. tions, who not less than six months before any election, at
22. which he or she offers to vote, shall have declared his or
23. her intention to become a citizen of the United States, in
24. accordance with the Federal naturalization laws, and shall
25. have resided in this State one year next prececing such elect+
26. tion, and the last six months in the county in which he or
27. she offers to vote, shall also be deemed a qualified elector;
28. and all electors shall vote in the election precinct of their
29. residence; provided that electors living in any unorganized
30. county may vote at any election precinct in the county to which
31. such county is attached for judicial purposes, and provided,
32. further, that any voter who is subject to pay a poll tax

1 under the laws of the State of Texas shall have
2 paid said tax before he offers to vote at any
3 election in this State, and hold a receipt show-
4 ing his poll tax paid before the first day of
5 February next preceding such election. Or if said
6 voter shall have lost or misplaced said tax receipt,
7 he shall be entitled to vote upon making affidavit
8 before any officer authorized to administer oaths
9 that such tax receipt has been lost. Such affidavit
10 shall be made in writing and left with the judge of
11 election, and this provision of the Constitution shall
12 be self-enacting without the necessity of further leg-
13 islation.

14 Sec. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed
15 to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission
16 of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State
17 of Texas, at a special election to be held on the first
18 Tuesday in November, 1915. At which election all voters
19 favoring this amendment shall have written or printed
20 on their ballott: "For the amendment of Section 2,
21 Article VI, of the Constitution, providing for female
22 suffrage."

23 And voters opposed to such amendment shall have written
24b or printed on their ballots:
25 "Against the amendment of Section 2, Article VI, of the
26 Constitution, providing for female suffrage."

27. Section 3. The sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars,
28 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appro-
29 priated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions
30 of this Resolution.

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