PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO PRINTING, PUBLISHING, ETC.

H. J. R. No. 24.]

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION.

Authorizing the submission to a vote of the people of the State of Texas of a proposed amendment of Section 21, Article XVI, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to printing, publishing, stationery, paper and fuel, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 21. All printing and publishing, and all stationery, paper and fuel for the various departments, and for all offices, whether created by this Constitution or by law, shall be done and supplied as may be provided by law, and for the accomplishment of these objects and purposes the Legislature may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies, invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

SEC. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1907, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution, relating to stationery, printing, paper and fuel," and all those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution, relating to stationery, printing, paper and fuel."

SEC. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

SEC. 4. That the sum of two thousand ($2000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

[NOTE.—The enrolled bill shows that the foregoing act passed the House of Representatives by the following vote, yeas 91, nays 1; and passed the Senate by the following vote, yeas 25, nays 1.]

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO COMMISSIONERS' PRECINCTS.

S. J. R. No. 5.]

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

To amend Section 18, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to provide for subsequent redistricting of a county into commissioners' precincts, defining the manner thereof; for submitting same to the electors of the State, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 18, Article 5, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:
Each organized county in the State, now or hereafter existing, shall be divided from time to time, for the convenience of the people, into justice precincts, not less than four and not more than twelve. The present county courts shall make the first division. Subsequent divisions shall be made by the commissioners' court provided for by this Constitution. In each such precinct there shall be elected, at each biennial election, one justice of the peace and one constable, each of whom shall hold his office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified; provided, that in any precinct in which there may be a city of eight thousand or more inhabitants, there shall be elected two justices of the peace. Each county shall in like manner and in the first instance, be divided into four commissioners' precincts, in each of which there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof one county commissioner, who shall hold his office for two years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. Subsequent divisions of a county into commissioners' precincts shall be made as is now or hereafter may be provided by law. The county commissioners so chosen, with the county judge as presiding officer, shall compose the county commissioners' court, which shall exercise such powers and jurisdiction over all county business as is conferred by this Constitution and the laws of the State, or as may be hereafter prescribed.

Sec. 2. That the sum of one thousand ($1,000) dollars is hereby appropriated out of the State Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of defraying the necessary expense of submitting the above proposed amendment to the people of the State, at the next general or special election in the manner required by law, by the Governor of the State.

[Note.—The enrolled bill shows that the foregoing act passed the Senate by the following vote, yeas 23, nays 3; and passed the House of Representatives by the following vote, yeas 113, nays 4.]