CHAPTER 1.

A RESOLUTION PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO AMEND ART. 16, SEC. 30 OF THE CONSTITUTION SO THAT SAME SHALL NOT APPLY TO APPOINTEE OFFICES OF ANY MUNICIPALITY PLACED UNDER TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF CIVIL SERVICE.

H. J. R. No. 8.]

House Joint Resolution proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas to be known as Section 30b of Article 16; providing that the provisions of Article 16, Section 30, of the Texas Constitution limiting the duration of all offices not fixed by the Constitution to two (2) years, shall not apply to appointive offices of any municipalities that are placed under the terms and provisions of Civil Service but the duration of such offices shall be governed by the provisions of the Civil Service Law applicable thereto; providing for an election on the question of adoption or rejection of such amendment; making an appropriation therefor; providing for the proclamation and publication thereof; prescribing the form of ballot.

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

SECTION 1. That the Constitution of the State of Texas be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto a new Section to Article 16 to be known as Section 30b which shall read as follows:

"Section 30b. Wherever by virtue of Statute or charter provisions appointive offices of any municipality are placed under the terms and provisions of Civil Service and rules are set up governing appointment to and removal from such offices, the provisions of Article 16, Section 30, of the Texas Constitution limiting the duration of all offices not fixed by the Constitution to two (2) years shall not apply, but the duration of such offices shall be governed by the provisions of the Civil Service law or charter provisions applicable thereto."

SEC. 2. Such proposed Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State of Texas at the general election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the 5th day of November, 1940, at which election all voters
favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words:

“For the Amendment to the State Constitution providing that Article 16, Section 30, of the Constitution shall not apply to appointive offices of any municipality placed under the terms and provisions of Civil Service.”

Those voters opposing said Amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words:

“Against the Amendment to the State Constitution providing that Article 16, Section 30, of the Constitution shall not apply to appointive offices of any municipality placed under the terms and provisions of Civil Service.”

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast is in favor of the Amendment the same shall become a part of the State Constitution.

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

SEC. 4. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) 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.—H. J. R. No. 8 was passed by the House, April 4, 1939, by a vote of 110 yea, 22 nays; by the Senate, as amended, May 22, 1939, by a vote of 24 yea, 1 nay; and the House concurred in Senate amendments, May 22, 1939, by a vote of 117 yea, 3 nays.]

Approved May 31, 1939.
To be voted on at election to be held November 5, 1940.