under the program is exempt from ad valorem taxation in the same manner as an institution of purely public charity under Article VIII, Section 2, of this constitution. To carry out the program authorized by this subsection, the legislature may authorize loans and grants of money in the Texas small business incubator fund and the issuance of up to $20 million of general obligation bonds to provide initial funding of the Texas small business incubator fund. The Texas small business incubator fund is composed of the proceeds of the bonds authorized by this subsection, loan repayments, and other amounts received by the state for loans or grants made under this subsection and any other amounts required to be deposited in the Texas small business incubator fund by the legislature.

(c) The legislature may require review and approval of the issuance of bonds under this section, of the use of the bond proceeds, or of the rules adopted by an agency to govern use of the bond proceeds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution, any entity created or directed to conduct this review and approval may include members, or appointees of members, of the executive, legislative, and judicial departments of state government.

(d) Bonds authorized under this section constitute a general obligation of the state. While any of the bonds or interest on the bonds is outstanding and unpaid, there is appropriated out of the first money coming into the treasury in each fiscal year, not otherwise appropriated by this constitution, the amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds that mature or become due during the fiscal year, less any amount in any interest and sinking account at the end of the preceding fiscal year that is pledged to payment of the bonds or interest.

SECTION 3. This proposed amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 1989. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: “The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the recovery and further development of the state’s economy, with goals of increasing job opportunities and other benefits for Texas residents, through state financing of the development and production of Texas products and businesses.”

Passed by the House on May 5, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 132, Nays 0; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.J.R. No. 51 on May 28, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 2, 1 present, not voting. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 26, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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H.J.R. No. 101
A JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to organize and combine various state agencies that perform criminal justice functions.

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

SECTION 1. Article IV of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding Section 11B to read as follows:

Sec. 11B. (a) The legislature by law may organize and combine into one or more agencies all agencies of the state that:

(1) have authority over the confinement or supervision of persons convicted of criminal offenses;

(2) set standards or distribute state funds to political subdivisions that have authority over the confinement or supervision of persons convicted of criminal offenses; or

(3) gather information about the administration of criminal justice.

(b) The legislature by law may authorize the appointment of members of more than one department of government to serve on the governing body.
SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 1989. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to organize and combine various state agencies that perform criminal justice functions."

Passed by the House on May 19, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 0. Passed by the Senate on May 27, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the compensation of the lieutenant governor and members of the legislature.

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

SECTION 1. If the voters of this state approve the ballot proposition required by Section 5(a) of this resolution and disapprove the ballot proposition required by Section 5(b) of this resolution, Article III, Section 24, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 24. (a) Members of the Legislature shall receive from the Public Treasury a salary equal to one-fourth of the salary provided by law for the Governor [of Six Hundred Dollars ($600) per month]. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall receive an additional salary in the same amount for serving as Speaker. Each member shall also receive a per diem of Thirty Dollars ($30) for each day during each Regular and Special Session of the Legislature.

(b) No Regular Session shall be of longer duration than one hundred and forty (140) days.

(c) In addition to the per diem the Members of each House shall be entitled to mileage at the same rate as prescribed by law for employees of the State of Texas. [This amendment takes effect on April 22, 1975.]

(d) No law varying the salary of Members of the Legislature shall take effect until a general election shall have intervened.

(e) Until the convening of the Regular Session of the 72nd Legislature in 1991, the Members of the Legislature and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall receive compensation in the amounts prescribed by law on January 1, 1989. This subsection expires January 1, 1992.

SECTION 2. If the voters of this state approve the ballot proposition required by Section 5(b) of this resolution and disapprove the ballot proposition required by Section 5(a) of this resolution, Article III, Section 24, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 24. (a) Members of the Legislature shall receive from the Public Treasury a salary of Six Hundred Dollars ($600) per month. Each member shall also receive a per diem of Thirty Dollars ($30) for each day during each Regular and Special Session of the Legislature. The per diem allowed during a calendar year is in an amount equal to the maximum amount allowed as of January 1 of that year for federal income tax purposes as a deduction for living expenses incurred in a legislative day by a state legislator in connection with the legislator's business as a legislator, disregarding any exception in federal law for legislators residing near the capitol.

(b) No Regular Session shall be of longer duration than one hundred and forty (140) days.

(c) In addition to the per diem the Members of each House shall be entitled to mileage at the same rate as prescribed by law for employees of the State of Texas. [This amendment takes effect on April 22, 1975.]