

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment to allow the transfer of a law enforcement animal to a qualified caretaker in certain circumstances.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 521 to read as follows:

Sec. 521. The legislature may authorize a state agency or a county, a municipality, or other political subdivision to transfer a law enforcement dog, horse, or other animal to the animal's handler or another qualified caretaker for no consideration on the animal's retirement or at another time if the transfer is in the animal's best interest.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2019.

The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to allow the transfer of a law enforcement animal to a qualified caretaker in certain circumstances."