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**Texas Constitutional Election November 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
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Voter turnout for Texas Constitutional Amendments is *dismal* and an election is right around the corner! Remember that the Texas Constitution limits government so it is very important that Texans vote! Heed the warning of Thomas Jefferson, "*The government you elect is government you deserve*" and vote! The proposed amendments are shown below.

Not registered or moved recently? Voter registration applications are available at all County Tax Offices and online at [www.galcotax.com](http://www.galcotax.com) or [www.VoteTexas.gov](http://www.VoteTexas.gov). Upon completion, drop it off at the nearest post office or in one of the drop boxes located outside of each full time Tax Office branch (Galveston, League City, Santa Fe or Texas City). Have questions? Call the Voter Registration Department toll free at 1-888-976-2280.

**Proposition 1 (SJR 1)**

*"The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes from \$15,000 to \$25,000, providing for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for those purposes on the homestead of an elderly or disabled person to reflect the increased exemption amount, authorizing the legislature to prohibit a political subdivision that has adopted an optional residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation from reducing the amount of or repealing the exemption, and prohibiting the enactment of a law that imposes a transfer tax on a transaction that conveys fee simple title to real property."*

**Proposition 2 (HJR 75)**

*"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran who died before the law authorizing a residence homestead exemption for such a veteran took effect."*

**Proposition 3 (SJR 52)**

*"The constitutional amendment repealing the requirement that state officers elected by voters statewide reside in the state capital."*

**Proposition 4 (HJR 73)**

*"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit professional sports team charitable foundations to conduct charitable raffles."*

**Proposition 5 (SJR 17)**

*"The constitutional amendment to authorize counties with a population of 7,500 or less to perform private road construction and maintenance."*

**Proposition 6 (SJR 22)**

*"The constitutional amendment recognizing the right of the people to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife subject to laws that promote wildlife conservation."*

**Proposition 7 (SJR 5)**

*"The constitutional amendment dedicating certain sales and use tax revenue and motor vehicle sales, use, and rental tax revenue to the state highway fund to provide funding for nontolled roads and the reduction of certain transportation-related debt."*