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H.J.R. No. 125

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment permitting adult individuals
2 to choose a health care treatment or modality; empowering the
3 legislature to address scopes of practice for health care providers
4 and physicians.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 31, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 31. The Legislature may pass laws prescribing the
9 qualifications of practitioners of medicine in this State, and to
10 punish persons for mal-practice, but no preference shall ever be
11 given by law that abridges the right of:

12 (a) an individual to seek advice from or to choose any
13 health care treatment or modality; or

14 (b) the right of any provider to advise an individual
15 or to offer a particular treatment or modality~~[to any schools of~~
16 ~~medicine].~~

17 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
18 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013.
19 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
20 proposition: "The constitutional amendment allowing adult
21 individuals to choose a health care treatment or modality."