A JOINT RESOLUTION

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proposing a constitutional amendment to dedicate net revenue from
the state lottery to support educational programs that benefit
classroom teaching in the state's public schools and to prohibit
certain lottery advertisements and promotions.

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

SECTION 1. Section 47, Article III, Texas Constitution, is
amended by amending Subsection (e) and adding Subsection (f) to
read as follows:

(e) The Legislature by general law may authorize the State
to operate lotteries and may authorize the State to enter into a
contract with one or more legal entities that will operate
lotteries on behalf of the State. All money received by the State
from the operation of lotteries, other than amounts paid for
administrative costs, unclaimed lottery prizes, and amounts paid
for lottery prizes, is dedicated to and may be expended only for the
enrichment of educational programs of the State's public primary
and secondary schools and only for items that directly benefit
classroom teaching, including teacher compensation and the
acquisition of textbooks and educational supplies, materials,
equipment, and services.

(f) An advertisement or promotion sponsored by the State or
a holder of a license issued by the State and related to the
operation of a lottery authorized by Subsection (e) of this section
may not encourage or attempt to influence a person to purchase a
lottery ticket by stating that revenue generated from the sale of
the ticket will be used to support or provide additional funds to
the State's public primary or secondary schools.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2015.
The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
proposition: "The constitutional amendment to dedicate net revenue
from the state lottery to support educational programs that benefit
classroom teaching in the state's public schools and to prohibit
advertisements and promotions that state the revenue generated by
the sale of lottery tickets is used to financially assist public
schools."