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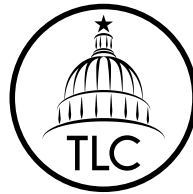


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Introduction

The 1876 Texas Constitution, the fifth since statehood, had 289 sections organized into 17 articles. The original version of this 1876 constitution is viewable online on The University of Texas School of Law Tarlton Law Library website at <https://tarlton.law.utexas.edu/c.php?g=813324>. Over the years, 223 new sections have been added, while 66 of the original sections and 52 of the added sections have been removed, so that the Texas Constitution today has 394 sections. For most of that time, the constitution has been updated at least biennially through amendments proposed by the legislature and approved by the Texas electorate. No legislative rules or other restrictions limit the number of amendment proposals, provided each receives the required two-thirds vote in both the senate and the house.

Since 1876, the legislature has proposed 690 constitutional amendments, and 687 have gone before Texas voters. Of the amendments submitted to the voters so far, 507 have been approved by the electorate, 180 have been defeated, and three amendments never made it to the ballot.

No publication fully documents the process of actual and attempted constitutional change, but several authors have addressed the history and rationale behind many of the provisions, including Walton C. Rowland (1948), George D. Braden (1977), and Janice C. May (1996). Harold J. Marburger (1956) itemized results of proposed amendments during the first 80 years of the constitution's history. Until recently, his list continued in simplified format as a table of votes on proposed constitutional amendments that was regularly appended to the final volume of each set of session laws of the Texas Legislature.

This publication attempts to fill a gap in the body of research detailing Texas constitutional history. It charts the basics of all original sections and amendatory proposals and includes information on subject content, the dates and outcomes of constitutional amendment elections, and links to the joint resolutions containing the text of amendments. The Texas Constitution does not state when an adopted constitutional amendment takes effect, but Texas courts consistently have held that the effective date is the date of the official canvass of returns showing adoption of the amendment, unless another date is clearly specified. This publication does not provide the canvass dates of constitutional amendments; however, the Texas Secretary of State provides an online list of constitutional amendment election dates and corresponding canvass dates for adopted amendments from the 1972 election onward at <http://www.sos.texas.gov/elections/historical/canvasdt.shtml>. Information relating to pre-1972 canvass dates is available at the Texas State Archives.

**1876 Constitution
Amendments Proposed and Adopted**

Legislature	Number Proposed	Number Adopted	Legislature	Number Proposed	Number Adopted	Legislature	Number Proposed	Number Adopted	
16th Leg., R.S., 1879	1	1	35th Leg., R.S., 1917	3	3	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	11	11	
17th Leg., R.S., 1881	2	0	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	13	3	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	9	9	
18th Leg., R.S., 1883	5*	5	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	5*	1	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	12	10	
20th Leg., R.S., 1887	6	0	38th Leg., R.S., 1923	2***	1	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	4	4	
21st Leg., R.S., 1889	2	2	39th Leg., R.S., 1925	4	4	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	14	10	
22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	5	5	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	8*	4	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	7	4	
23rd Leg., R.S., 1893	2	2	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	7*	5	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	27	20	
24th Leg., R.S., 1895	2	1	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	9	9	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	20†	13	
25th Leg., R.S., 1897	5	1	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	12	4	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	16	9	
26th Leg., R.S., 1899	1	0	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	13	10	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	18	12	
27th Leg., R.S., 1901	1	1	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	7	6	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	9	6	
28th Leg., R.S., 1903	3	3	46th Leg., R.S., 1939	4	3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	12*††	3	
29th Leg., R.S., 1905	3	2	47th Leg., R.S., 1941	5	1	65th Leg.	R.S., 1977	15	11
30th Leg., R.S., 1907	9	1	48th Leg., R.S., 1943	3*	3		2nd C.S., 1978	1	1
31st Leg., R.S., 1909	4	4	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	8	7	66th Leg., R.S., 1979		12	9
32nd Leg., R.S., 1911	5	4	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	9	9	67th Leg.	R.S., 1981	7	6
33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	8**	0	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	10	2		1st C.S., 1981	3	2
34th Leg., R.S., 1915	7	0	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	7	3		2nd C.S., 1982	3	3

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68th Leg.	R.S., 1983	18	15	74th Leg., R.S., 1995		14	11	85th Leg., R.S., 2017		7	7
	1st C.S., 1983	1	1	75th Leg., R.S., 1997		15	13	86th Leg., R.S., 2019		10	9
69th Leg.	R.S., 1985	17*	17	76th Leg., R.S., 1999		17	13				
	2nd C.S., 1986	1	1	77th Leg., R.S., 2001		20	20				
70th Leg.	R.S., 1987	24*	16	78th Leg., R.S., 2003		22*	22				
	2nd C.S., 1987	4	4	79th Leg., R.S., 2005		9	7				
71st Leg.	R.S., 1989	21*	19	80th Leg., R.S., 2007		17	17				
	6th C.S., 1990	1	1	81st Leg., R.S., 2009		11*	11				
72nd Leg.	R.S., 1991	11	8	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011		10	7				
	1st C.S., 1991	3	3	83rd Leg.	R.S., 2013	9†††	9				
	2nd C.S., 1991	1	1		3rd C.S., 2013	1	1				
73rd Leg.	R.S., 1993	19*	14	84th Leg., R.S., 2015		7	7				

* Total reflects two or more amendments that were included in one joint resolution.

** Seven joint resolutions containing eight ballot proposals were approved by the legislature, but only six of the eight went before voters. See, in the amendments table, the 1913 entries for 3:52.

*** Two joint resolutions were approved by the legislature, but only one proposal was actually submitted on the ballot. See, in the amendments table, the 1923 entry for 8:9a.

† Total excludes a joint resolution that was repealed and replaced. See, in the amendments table, the 1967 entry for 16:62.

†† Total reflects eight amendments that would have provided for an entire new Texas Constitution.

††† Total reflects two identical joint resolutions that were presented to voters in a single proposition. See, in the amendments table, the 2013 entries for 9:7.

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Explanation of Table

General Comments

The table is ordered numerically by constitutional article and section. Shaded areas of the compilation denote repealed sections, failed amendments, and expired provisions. Unshaded areas include provisions approved by the voters that have not been expressly repealed or extinguished and that may include language that has been changed through subsequent amendments. The table omits temporary provisions that were designed to smooth the transition from older to newer constitutional language.

In 1975, the Texas Legislature, having convened as a constitutional convention the previous year, proposed a full revision of the Texas Constitution to be submitted to the voters through the normal amendment process. This constitutional revision attempt is treated differently in the table because its anticipated effect extended to virtually every section. The revision attempt took the form of eight ballot propositions, all of which were defeated by Texas voters. In this publication, 1975 amendment proposals appear at the end of a particular article rather than among the individually listed sections of the article. See the bibliography for the citation to an informational booklet from the 64th Texas Legislature, which contains more detail on the nature of the proposed 1975 revisions.

PDF and Excel Versions of This Publication

This publication is available in two electronic formats: a static PDF version (available at <http://www.tlc.texas.gov/docs/amendments/constamend1876.pdf>) suitable for printing and easy reference by Article and Section number and an Excel version (available at <http://www.tlc.texas.gov/docs/amendments/constamend1876.xlsx>). The Excel version allows each column to be sorted or filtered. This functionality is useful for a variety of purposes, such as finding all the affected sections of a particular amendment (filter by “Legislature” or “Election Date” and “Joint Resolution Number”) or re-creating the ballot of a particular election (filter by “Election Date” and sort by “Prop”). To sort or filter a column, click on the filter button on the column heading and select the desired criteria.

Columns One (“Article”) and Two (“Section”)

Column one indicates the article number and column two indicates the section number. Within the document, sections are referred to by both their article and section number. Article VIII, Section 2, for example, is referred to as 8:2. When a specific amendment of a section is referred to, the election year is also provided, such as 8:2 (1978), to differentiate between a section’s various amendments; in cases of multiple amendments to the same section in the same election year, the resolution number is also provided. For sections currently in the constitution, the section number is linked to the constitutional provision.

Also for sections currently in the constitution, the numbers in these columns, along with the text in column three (“Topic”), are in **boldface print** to denote the original establishment of a section under a particular section number.

Column Three (“Topic”)

Column three describes the topic of a section. For sections that currently are part of the Texas Constitution, the description reflects their present content. For sections that have been deleted or otherwise removed, the description reflects the content at the time of deletion or removal. For proposed sections that never became a part of the Texas Constitution, the description reflects the proposed language. For sections currently in the constitution, the text in this column, along with the numbers in columns one (“Article”) and two (“Section”), are in **boldface print** to denote the original establishment of a section under a particular section number.

Column Four (“Action”)

Column four indicates the general nature of an amendment by one of four symbols:

(=) indicates inclusion in the original 1876 Texas Constitution

(+) indicates a section added or proposed to be added

(-) indicates a section removed or proposed to be removed

(Δ) indicates the amendment or proposed amendment of an existing section

Column Five (“Election Date”)

Column five provides an amendment’s election date.

Column Six (“Joint Resolution Number”)

Column six provides the joint resolution number of an amendment, linked to a PDF copy of the resolution.

Column Seven (“Legislature”)

Column seven provides the legislature that proposed an amendment.

Column Eight (“Prop”)

Column eight provides the proposition number, if known, of the amendment for the election. If unknown or unclear, a dash (“-”) is used. The proposition numbers were researched from a variety of sources, including newspaper sample ballots and editorials and secretary of state election information, and should not be considered a comprehensive listing of proposition numbers for all of the state’s constitutional amendments.

Column Nine (“Result”)

Column nine indicates the adoption or failure of an amendment.

Column Ten (“Percentage”)

Column ten provides the percentage of the voters who cast votes in favor of an amendment. The percentages are based on vote totals from a number of sources, including the Texas Secretary of State’s website, secretary of state hard-copy reports cited in this publication’s bibliography, the Marburger document also cited in the bibliography, secretary of state election registers on which the Marburger vote totals are based, the Legislative Reference Library website, the biennial Texas session laws volumes, the *Texas Almanac*, and an unpublished Texas Secretary of State election canvass document in the state archives.

Column Eleven (“Comments”)

Column eleven contains explanatory and informational comments that assist with tracking the evolution of a section. The column cites other constitutional sections affected by the same amendment.

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Article	Section	Topic	Action	Election Date	Joint Resolution Number	Legislature	Prop	Result	Percentage	Comments
1	1	freedom and sovereignty of state	=	1876/02/15						
1	2	inherent political power and republican form of government	=	1876/02/15						
1	3	equal rights	=	1876/02/15						
1	3a	equality under the law irrespective of sex, race, color, creed, or national origin	+	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 16	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	7	Adopted	79.7%	
1	4	prohibition against religious tests as a requirement for public office	=	1876/02/15						
1	5	witness oaths and affirmations	=	1876/02/15						
1	6	freedom of worship	=	1876/02/15						
1	7	prohibition against appropriations for sectarian purposes	=	1876/02/15						
1	8	freedom of speech and press	=	1876/02/15						
1	9	security from unreasonable searches and seizures	=	1876/02/15						
1	10	rights of criminally accused	=	1876/02/15						
1	10	rights of criminally accused	Δ	1918/11/05	H.J.R. 2	35th Leg., R.S., 1917	-	Adopted	66.1%	Adding a deposition option for witnesses residing out of Texas in antitrust cases.
1	11	bail	=	1876/02/15						
1	11a	multiple convictions and denial of bail	+	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 9	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	8	Adopted	79.2%	Originally permitting the denial of bail to two-time felons accused of a third felony.
1	11a	multiple convictions and denial of bail	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 3	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	3	Adopted	83.6%	Permitting the denial of bail to those charged with a felony who allegedly commit another while on bail. Permitting denial to those with a prior felony conviction who allegedly have used a deadly weapon in the commission of a felony of which they stand accused.
1	11a	multiple convictions and denial of bail	Δ	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 23	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	12	Adopted	89.1%	Permitting the denial of bail to those charged with certain violent or sexual offenses committed while under the supervision of a criminal justice agency or a political subdivision of the state for a prior felony.
1	11b	denial of bail for violation of condition of release pending trial	+	2005/11/08	S.J.R. 17	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	4	Adopted	84.9%	Permitting the denial of bail to a felony defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial if the release condition relates to victim or community safety.

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1	11b	denial of bail for violation of condition of release pending trial	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 6	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	13	Adopted	83.9%	Including the denial of bail to a person accused of an offense involving family violence. Same ballot proposition included new 1:11c.
1	11c	denial of bail for violation of protective order in a family violence case	+	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 6	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	13	Adopted	83.9%	Permitting the denial of bail to a person who violates certain protective orders relating to family violence or engages in conduct that constitutes an offense of violating such an order. Same ballot proposition amended 1:11b.
1	12	habeas corpus	=	1876/02/15						
1	13	prohibitions against excessive bail, excessive fines, and cruel or unusual punishment	=	1876/02/15						
1	14	prohibitions against double jeopardy	=	1876/02/15						
1	15	right of trial by jury	=	1876/02/15						See also 5:10.
1	15	right of trial by jury	Δ	1935/08/24	H.J.R. 39	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Adopted	59.5%	Allowing temporary commitment of mentally ill persons not charged with a criminal offense for observation or treatment without a trial by jury.
1	15-a	trials in lunacy cases without a jury	+	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 32	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	9	Failed	47.4%	H.J.R. 32 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
1	15-a	requirement of medical or psychiatric testimony for commitment of persons of unsound mind	+	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 11	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	7	Adopted	83.4%	Requiring medical or psychiatric testimony for commitment as a person of unsound mind. Authorizing the legislature to provide for the trial, adjudication of insanity, and commitment of such persons, for methods of appeal, and for waiver of trial by jury in certain cases.
1	16	prohibitions against bills of attainder, ex post facto laws, retroactive laws, and impairment of obligation of contracts	=	1876/02/15						
1	17	eminent domain	=	1876/02/15						
1	17	eminent domain	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 14	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	11	Adopted	81.0%	Establishing specific limitations on the taking of private property for public use, defining “public use” to exclude certain purposes, and limiting the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain. A separate H.J.R. 14 ballot proposition added 7:20 and repealed 7:17(i).
1	18	prohibition against imprisonment for debt	=	1876/02/15						
1	19	due course of law	=	1876/02/15						

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1	20	prohibition against outlawry or transportation out of state for offense	=	1876/02/15						
1	20	prohibition against outlawry or transportation out of state for offense	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	6	Adopted	70.7%	Allowing interstate agreements for the confinement of Texas prisoners in correctional facilities in other states.
1	21	no corruption of blood and forfeiture of estate on conviction	=	1876/02/15						
1	22	treason	=	1876/02/15						
1	23	right to keep and bear arms	=	1876/02/15						
1	24	military subordination to civil authority	=	1876/02/15						
1	25	quartering of soldiers in houses	=	1876/02/15						
1	26	prohibition against perpetuities and monopolies and primogeniture or entailments	=	1876/02/15						
1	27	rights to assemble and to petition for redress of grievances	=	1876/02/15						
1	28	suspension of laws	=	1876/02/15						
1	29	inviolability of Bill of Rights	=	1876/02/15						
1	30	rights of crime victims	+	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 19	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	13	Adopted	72.1%	Enumerating specific crime victim rights. Authorizing the legislature to enforce such rights and to enact laws limiting the liability of a judge, attorney for the state, peace officer, or law enforcement agency for a failure or inability to provide an enumerated right.
1	31	use of crime victim funds	+	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 33	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	10	Adopted	68.8%	Restricting expenditures of the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund to the delivery or funding of victim-related compensation, services, or assistance, including, under certain circumstances, assistance to victims of episodes of mass violence.
1	32	marriage	+	2005/11/08	H.J.R. 6	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	2	Adopted	76.3%	Specifying that marriage in Texas consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting the creation or recognition of any legal status identical or similar to marriage. This section was effectively preempted by the 2015 U.S. Supreme Court ruling legalizing same-sex marriage nationwide.

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1	33	public access to and use of public beaches	+	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 102	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	9	Adopted	76.9%	
1	34	right to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife	+	2015/11/03	S.J.R. 22	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	6	Adopted	81.1%	
1	1975 revision	constitutional revision: Bill of Rights	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, including amendments to 1:11a, 1:15, and 1:15a. See session laws, p. 3156.
2	1	separation of powers	=	1876/02/15						
2	2	trial de novo appeals of actions, rulings, or decisions of administrative or executive agencies	+	1962/11/06	H.J.R. 32	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	14	Failed	34.7%	
2	1975 revision	constitutional revision: powers of government	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, including the adoption of new Article 2 to replace the existing one. Creating an exception allowing a member of one branch of government to exercise the powers of another branch if authorized constitutionally. See session laws, p. 3133. Same ballot proposition provided for the adoption of replacement Articles 3 and 4.
3	1	senate and house of representatives	=	1876/02/15						
3	1	senate and house of representatives	Δ	1914/11/03	S.J.R. 12	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	48.3%	Providing for initiative and referendum.
3	2	number of legislators	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing for 31 state senators and a minimum of 93 and a maximum of 150 state representatives.
3	2	number of legislators	Δ	1965/09/07	S.J.R. 44	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	-	Failed	38.6%	Increasing the size of the state senate from 31 to 39 members and setting the state house of representatives membership at 150. Same ballot proposition amended 3:25.

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3	2	number of legislators	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Setting the permanent size of the legislature at 31 senators and 150 representatives. Constitutional cleanup amendment, providing for the elimination of duplicative, executed, obsolete, archaic, and ineffective constitutional provisions. Repealing 3:26a, 3:50b, 3:50b-1, 3:50b-2, 3:50b-3, 3:54, 8:1-b-1, 8:1-c, 8:5, 9:6, 11:6, 16:18, 16:47, 16:53, 16:66, 16:70(r), and 17:2. Consolidating 3:49-b-1, 3:49-b-2, and 3:49-b-3 within amended 3:49-b. Also amending 3:3, 3:4, 3:5, 3:6, 3:7, 3:14, 3:32, 3:33, 3:39, 3:48-e, 3:48-f, 3:49a, 3:49-c, 3:49-d, 3:49-d-1, 3:49-d-2, 3:49-d-5, 3:49-d-6, 3:49-d-7, 3:49-d-8, 3:49-e, 3:49-h, 3:50b-4, 3:51, 3:51-a, 3:52, 3:52d, 3:52g, 4:7, 4:16, 4:22, 4:23, 5:9, 6:2, 6:2a, 6:3, 6:3a, 7:3, 8:1-a, 8:1-b, 8:1-j, 8:6, 8:9, 8:16a, 8:20, 9:1, 9:2, 9:4, 9:5, 9:8, 9:11, 9:12, 11:2, 16:30, 16:44, 16:59, 16:61, 16:65, and 17:1 in addition to 3:2.
3	3	election and term of office of senators	=	1876/02/15						
3	3	election and term of office of senators	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 1	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	16	Adopted	77.2%	Providing that a newly elected state senator's term begins on the date the legislature convenes in regular session. Same ballot proposition amended 3:4.
3	3	election and term of office of senators	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	4	election and term of office of representatives	=	1876/02/15						
3	4	election and term of office of representatives	Δ	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 47	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	10	Failed	29.1%	Providing for four-year terms for state representatives.
3	4	election and term of office of representatives	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 1	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	16	Adopted	77.2%	Providing that a newly elected state representative's term begins on the date the legislature convenes in regular session. Same ballot proposition amended 3:3.
3	4	election and term of office of representatives	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	=	1876/02/15						Providing for biennial regular sessions and for special sessions called by the governor.
3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	Δ	1930/11/04	S.J.R. 19	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Adopted	60.8%	Providing for a 120-day order of business for a regular session. A separate S.J.R. 19 ballot proposition amended 3:24.
3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	Δ	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 5	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	2	Failed	24.3%	Providing for annual legislative sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24. H.J.R. 5 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.

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3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	Δ	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 1	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	1	Failed	30.7%	Providing for annual legislative sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24 and included new 3:24a.
3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	Δ	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 8	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	9	Failed	44.5%	Providing for annual legislative sessions.
3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 8	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	1	Failed	43.3%	Providing for annual legislative sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24, 3:49a, and 8:6.
3	5	legislative meetings and order of business	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Eliminating the 120-day limit on the legislature's order of business, in conformity to the 1960 change to 3:24 on the maximum length of the regular session. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	6	qualifications of senators	=	1876/02/15						
3	6	qualifications of senators	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	7	qualifications of representatives	=	1876/02/15						
3	7	qualifications of representatives	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	8	legislative judgment of member qualification and election	=	1876/02/15						
3	9	senate president pro tempore, lieutenant governor vacancy, and speaker of the house and other officers	=	1876/02/15						
3	9	senate president pro tempore, lieutenant governor vacancy, and speaker of the house and other officers	Δ	1984/11/06	S.J.R. 22	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	5	Adopted	62.5%	Relating to the manner in which a vacancy in the office of the lieutenant governor is filled. Providing that the Committee of the Whole Senate, convened by the president pro tempore of the senate, elects one of its members to perform the office's duties.
3	9	senate president pro tempore, lieutenant governor vacancy, and speaker of the house and other officers	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 44	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	1	Adopted	74.1%	Relating to the performance of the lieutenant governor's duties by a president pro tempore during a temporary disability affecting the lieutenant governor. Same ballot proposition amended 4:3a, 4:16, 4:17, and 4:18.
3	10	quorums, adjournments, and compulsion of attendance	=	1876/02/15						

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3	11	senate and house rules of procedure and expulsion of legislators	=	1876/02/15						
3	12	senate and house journals and record votes	=	1876/02/15						Requiring each house of the legislature to keep a journal of its proceedings and requiring that the votes of members of either house on any question be entered in the journals at the request of three members who are present.
3	12	senate and house journals and record votes	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 19	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	11	Adopted	84.5%	Requiring each house of the legislature to take a record vote on certain legislative measures and to make those votes accessible to the public on the Internet.
3	13	legislative vacancies	=	1876/02/15						
3	13	legislative vacancies	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 47	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	9	Adopted	67.6%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the filling of a vacancy in the legislature without an election if a candidate is running unopposed in an election to fill the vacancy.
3	14	legislator privilege from arrest while the legislature is in session	=	1876/02/15						
3	14	legislator privilege from arrest while the legislature is in session	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Deleting the mileage formula for calculating duration of the privilege in traveling to and from Austin. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	15	punishment for obstruction of legislative proceedings and disrespectful or disorderly conduct	=	1876/02/15						
3	16	openness of senate and house sessions	=	1876/02/15						
3	17	senate and house adjournment limitations	=	1876/02/15						
3	18	legislator ineligibility for certain other offices	=	1876/02/15						
3	18	legislator ineligibility for certain other offices	Δ	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 22	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	14	Adopted	63.2%	Terminating a legislator's ineligibility on December 31 of the last full calendar year of the legislator's term.
3	18	legislator ineligibility for certain other offices	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 9	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	9	Failed	46.8%	Authorizing a legislator to be eligible for certain offices even though the associated emoluments were increased during the legislator's term, provided that the legislator is not entitled to receive the increased emoluments.

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3	19	ineligibility of other officeholders for concurrent legislative service	=	1876/02/15						
3	20	conditional ineligibility for legislative service, or other public office, of tax collectors and those entrusted with public money	=	1876/02/15						
3	21	prohibition against questioning of legislator for words spoken in legislative debate	=	1876/02/15						
3	22	mandatory disclosure of private interest in legislation and abstention from voting	=	1876/02/15						
3	23	vacancy in legislative office on member's removal of residence from the district or county of election	=	1876/02/15						
3 (unofficial)	23a (unofficial)	appropriations authorization for construction at John Tarleton Agricultural College	+	1942/11/03	S.J.R. 21	47th Leg., R.S., 1941	-	Failed	49.5%	
3 (unofficial)	23a (unofficial)	appropriations authorization for construction at John Tarleton Agricultural College	+	1946/11/05	S.J.R. 5	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	1	Adopted	78.2%	See p. XXXIII of the 50th Leg., R.S., 1947, session laws regarding placement of this section in this article.
3 (unofficial)	23a (unofficial)	appropriations authorization for construction at John Tarleton Agricultural College	-	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Same ballot proposition also amended 6:1, 6:2, 6:3, and 16:44; redesignated 3:48-e (1987, H.J.R. 18) as 3:48-f, 3:52e (1968) as 3:52g, 3:61 (1954) as 3:61-a, and 7:16 (1928) as 7:16-a; and repealed 3:49-g (1987).
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	=	1876/02/15						Setting a maximum per diem, beginning 1879, of \$5 for the first 60 days of a legislative session and \$2 for the remainder of the session and setting a maximum mileage reimbursement of \$5 per 25 miles. Prohibiting mileage reimbursement for an extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of a regular or called session.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 8	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	21.9%	Setting the maximum per diem at \$5 and limiting regular sessions to 100 days.

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3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1887/08/04	S.H.J.R. 1 (J.R. 2)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	18.5%	Extending the \$5 maximum per diem to the first 90 days of a session.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1898/11/08	S.J.R. 13	25th Leg., R.S., 1897	-	Failed	12.3%	Extending the \$5 maximum per diem to the first 100 days of a session and increasing the maximum per diem for the remainder of the session to \$3.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1906/11/06	H.J.R. 8	29th Leg., R.S., 1905	-	Failed	32.9%	Setting a maximum salary of \$1,000 for odd-numbered years, a maximum per diem of \$5 for special sessions in even-numbered years, and a maximum mileage reimbursement of 3¢ a mile. Prohibiting a legislator from accepting offers of free railway transportation and other services.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1907/08/06	H.J.R. 40	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	11.7%	Similar to the 1906 ballot proposition but without a prohibition against accepting free railway transportation and other services.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1914/11/03	S.J.R. 26	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	29.4%	Setting a salary of \$1,200 for odd-numbered years, a maximum per diem of \$5 for special sessions held in even-numbered years, and a maximum mileage reimbursement of 5¢ a mile.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1921/07/23	S.J.R. 4	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	22.2%	Setting a maximum per diem of \$10 for the first 120 days of a regular session and \$5 for the remainder of the session, a maximum per diem of \$10 for special sessions, and a maximum mileage reimbursement of 10¢ a mile. A separate S.J.R. 4 ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:21, 4:22, and 4:23. See also, on the subject of legislative compensation, failed 16:30a (1927).
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1930/11/04	S.J.R. 19	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Adopted	53.4%	Setting a maximum per diem of \$10 for the first 120 days of a session and \$5 for the remainder of the session and a maximum mileage reimbursement of \$2.50 per 25 miles. A separate S.J.R. 19 ballot proposition amended 3:5.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1945/08/25	H.J.R. 11	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Failed	24.7%	Setting a maximum per diem of \$10 for a legislator's tenure in office.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 5	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	2	Failed	24.3%	Replacing the maximum per diem with an annual salary of \$3,600 and eliminating the mileage reimbursement exclusion (1876) applicable to certain special sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 3:5 providing for annual sessions. H.J.R. 5 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 5	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	5	Adopted	61.4%	Setting a maximum per diem of \$25, limited to the first 120 days of the regular session. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:21, 4:22, and 4:23 and included new 3:61.

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3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 1	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	1	Failed	30.7%	Setting an annual salary of \$7,500, plus expenses as set by law. Limiting per diem to 120 days for the first regular session, 60 days for the second regular session, and 30 days for any special session. Part of a ballot proposition providing for annual sessions, including new 3:24a, and amending 3:5.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1960/11/08	H.J.R. 3	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	3	Adopted	55.8%	Limiting the regular session to no more than 140 days. Setting an annual salary of \$4,800 and a maximum per diem of \$12, limited to the first 120 days of the regular session and to 30 days for any special session.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 8	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	9	Failed	43.6%	Providing for annual salaries for the lieutenant governor and speaker of the house, as set by law. Increasing the per diem to \$20 and extending it to 140 days for a regular session. Same ballot proposition amended 4:17.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 61	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	5	Failed	49.0%	Increasing legislators' maximum annual salaries to \$8,400. Applying the \$12 per diem to the entirety of any regular or special session.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1969/08/05	S.J.R. 31	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	3	Failed	42.3%	Providing for annual salaries for legislators, set by the legislature at not more than the salary paid a district judge from state funds. Providing annual salaries for the lieutenant governor and speaker of the house, set by the legislature at not more than half the salary of the governor. Applying the \$12 per diem to the entirety of any regular or special session. Eliminating the mileage reimbursement.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1971/05/18	S.J.R. 15	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	1	Failed	35.3%	Creating a State Ethics Commission with powers to recommend compensation, per diem, and mileage reimbursement for the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house, and other legislators, among other powers. Providing for financial disclosures and rules of ethics for officeholders.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 58	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	1	Failed	46.6%	Increasing legislators' maximum annual salaries to \$8,400. Applying per diem to the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 8	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	1	Failed	43.3%	Part of a ballot proposition providing for annual legislative sessions. Increasing legislators' maximum annual salaries to \$15,000. Increasing maximum per diem to \$18 for regular and annual sessions. Removing the 140-day limitation on regular sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 3:5, 3:49a, and 8:6.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1975/04/22	H.J.R. 6	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Adopted	57.9%	Increasing legislators' salaries to \$600 per month and increasing the per diem to \$30 for each day of a regular or special session. Setting mileage reimbursement at same rate as for state employees.

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3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 22	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	8	Failed	33.0%	Replacing the \$30 maximum per diem with the maximum per diem allowed for federal income tax deduction.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 102	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	1	Failed	36.7%	Setting the salary of the speaker of the house at half that of the governor and setting the salary of other legislators at one-quarter that of the governor. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 4:17. Another H.J.R. 102 ballot proposition also amended 3:24.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 102	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	11	Failed	47.3%	Replacing the \$30 maximum per diem with the maximum per diem allowed for federal income tax deduction. Another H.J.R. 102 ballot proposition also amended 3:24 as well as 4:17.
3	24	compensation and expenses of legislators and duration of legislative regular sessions	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 8	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	6	Adopted	53.5%	Providing for a legislative per diem set by the Texas Ethics Commission and authorizing the commission to recommend the salary of legislators and to recommend a higher salary for the lieutenant governor and speaker of the house, subject to voter approval. Same ballot proposition amended 4:17 and included new 3:24a.
3	24a	temporary residence in Capitol for lieutenant governor and speaker of the house	+	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 1	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	1	Failed	30.7%	Same ballot proposition amended 3:5 and 3:24.
3	24a	salaries of the lieutenant governor and speaker of the house	+	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 95	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	11	Failed	35.2%	Providing for annual salaries of \$22,500 each. Same ballot proposition amended 4:17.
3	24a	Texas Ethics Commission	+	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 8	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	6	Adopted	53.5%	Creating the commission and authorizing it to set per diem amounts for legislators and the lieutenant governor. Authorizing the commission to recommend legislator salaries and to recommend higher salaries for the lieutenant governor and speaker of the house. Requiring voter approval for salary recommendations to take effect. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24 and 4:17.
3	25	senatorial districts	=	1876/02/15						
3	25	senatorial districts	Δ	1965/09/07	S.J.R. 44	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	-	Failed	38.6%	Same ballot proposition amended 3:2, which proposed to increase state senate membership.

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3	25	senatorial districts	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup amendment, providing for the elimination of obsolete, archaic, redundant, and unnecessary provisions and the clarification, update, and harmonization of certain provisions. Repealing 3:61, 3:63, 5:3a, 5:27, 7:4A, 7:9, 8:16, 8:16a, 16:19, 16:22, 16:43, 16:56, and 16:65A. Amending 3:28, 3:56, 3:59, 3:60, 5:1-a, 5:2, 5:3, 5:4, 5:5, 5:6, 5:11, 5:13, 5:17, 5:18, 5:28, 5:29, 6:1, 6:2, 7:6, 8:1-a, 8:1-e, 8:14, 11:7, 11:11, 16:1, 16:2, 16:11, and 16:23 in addition to 3:25. Adding 5:5a, 5:5b, 5:14, and a temporary 7:9-a, and redesignating 16:8 as 9:14.
3	26	house district apportionment	=	1876/02/15						
3	26a	limit on a county to seven representatives, except for counties of more than 700,000	+	1936/11/03	H.J.R. 9	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	6	Adopted	59.0%	
3	26a	limit on a county to seven representatives, except for counties of more than 700,000	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	27	elections for senators and representatives	=	1876/02/15						
3	28	apportionment schedule and Legislative Redistricting Board of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
3	28	apportionment schedule and Legislative Redistricting Board of Texas	Δ	1948/11/02	S.J.R. 2	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	2	Adopted	77.5%	Creating the Legislative Redistricting Board of Texas.
3	28	apportionment schedule and Legislative Redistricting Board of Texas	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
3	29	enacting clause of laws	=	1876/02/15						
3	30	requirement that laws be passed by bills and prohibition against bill amendments changing a bill's original purpose	=	1876/02/15						
3	31	origination and amendment of bills	=	1876/02/15						

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3	32	rule requiring reading of bills on three several days	=	1876/02/15						Allowing the suspension of the rule that requires bills to be read on three several days in cases of imperative public necessity with a four-fifths majority of the house in which the bill is pending.
3	32	rule requiring reading of bills on three several days	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Applying the four-fifths vote requirement for suspension to all bills by eliminating the condition of public necessity. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	33	requirement that revenue bills originate in house of representatives	=	1876/02/15						
3	33	requirement that revenue bills originate in house of representatives	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	34	effect of defeat of bills and resolutions	=	1876/02/15						
3	35	subjects and titles of bills	=	1876/02/15						Limiting bills to one subject, except for general appropriation bills, and requiring the subject to be expressed in the bill's title. Originally voiding any part of an act not expressed in the title.
3	35	subjects and titles of bills	Δ	1986/11/04	S.J.R. 33	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	2	Adopted	73.6%	Providing for senate and house rules on bill titles. Removing the automatic voiding of a law for an insufficient title. Same ballot proposition amended 3:43.
3	36	full text requirements for amending or reviving a law	=	1876/02/15						
3	37	committee referral and reporting of bills	=	1876/02/15						
3	38	signing of bills and entry on legislative journals	=	1876/02/15						
3	39	effective date of laws	=	1876/02/15						
3	39	effective date of laws	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Eliminating the requirement for an emergency provision in a bill for an immediate or accelerated effective date. Retaining the two-thirds vote requirement for such an effective date. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	40	limits on agenda and length of special sessions	=	1876/02/15						
3	41	viva voce vote on certain elections	=	1876/02/15						

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3	42	passage of laws to carry into effect constitutional provisions	=	1876/02/15						
3	42	passage of laws to carry into effect constitutional provisions	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment,” making nonsubstantive repeals, including the repeal of 3:46, 3:48, 7:3a, 7:7, 8:12, 9:3, 10:1, 10:3, 10:4, 10:5, 10:6, 10:7, 10:8, 10:9, 11:10, 12:3, 12:4, 12:5, 12:7, 13:1, 13:2, 13:3, 13:4, 13:5, 13:6, 13:7, 14:2, 14:3, 14:4, 14:5, 14:6, 14:7, 14:8, 16:3, 16:4, 16:7, 16:13, 16:29, 16:32, 16:34, 16:35, 16:36, 16:38, 16:42, 16:45, 16:46, 16:54, 16:55, 16:57, 16:58, and 16:60 in addition to 3:42.
3	43	revision of laws	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing for a revision of laws every 10 years.
3	43	revision of laws	Δ	1986/11/04	S.J.R. 33	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	2	Adopted	73.6%	Providing for the ongoing revision of laws. Same ballot proposition amended 3:35.
3	44	compensation of public officers, servants, agents, and contractors	=	1876/02/15						
3	45	change of venue in civil and criminal cases	=	1876/02/15						
3	46	vagrancy laws	=	1876/02/15						
3	46	vagrancy laws	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
3	46	uniformity in collection of civil and criminal fees	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 49	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	18	Adopted	81.1%	Promoting uniformity in the collection of fees, contingent on enactment of a program to consolidate and standardize the collection, deposit, reporting, and remitting of fees.
3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	=	1876/02/15						Originally requiring the legislature to pass laws prohibiting the establishment of lotteries and gift enterprises in Texas.
3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 18	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	4	Adopted	65.0%	Authorizing bingo games for charitable purposes on a local-option basis.
3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 32	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	15	Adopted	62.5%	Allowing the legislature to permit charitable raffles conducted by a qualified religious society, qualified volunteer fire department, qualified volunteer emergency medical service, or qualified nonprofit organization.
3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	Δ	1991/11/05	H.J.R. 8	72nd Leg., 1st C.S., 1991	11	Adopted	64.5%	Allowing the legislature to authorize a state lottery.
3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	Δ	2015/11/03	H.J.R. 73	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	4	Adopted	69.4%	Allowing the legislature to permit a professional sports team charitable foundation to conduct charitable raffles.
3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	Δ	2017/11/07	H.J.R. 37	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	7	Adopted	59.7%	Relating to legislative authority to permit financial institutions to award prizes by lot to promote savings.

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3	47	lotteries, bingo, and charitable raffles	Δ	2017/11/07	H.J.R. 100	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	5	Adopted	60.3%	Relating to the professional sports team charitable foundations authorized to conduct charitable raffles.
3	48	tax levies and purposes of tax levies	=	1876/02/15						
3	48	tax levies and purposes of tax levies	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
3	48a	retirement, disability, and death benefits for public school, college, and university employees	+	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 18	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	2	Adopted	52.8%	Authorizing the establishment of the Teachers' Retirement System, limited to a retirement pension.
3	48a	retirement, disability, and death benefits for public school, college, and university employees	Δ	1956/11/06	S.J.R. 5	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	4	Adopted	89.0%	Adding disability and death benefits, raising the cap on state and individual contributions, and amending retirement eligibility provisions.
3	48a	retirement, disability, and death benefits for public school, college, and university employees	Δ	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 4	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	9	Adopted	71.6%	Removing a specified ceiling on annual contributions.
3	48a	retirement, disability, and death benefits for public school, college, and university employees	-	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Same ballot proposition also repealed 3:48b, 3:51-e, 3:51-f, 16:62, and 16:63 and consolidated and revised state and local retirement provisions within new 16:67.
3	48-b	county-city health units	+	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 15	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	5	Failed	39.8%	H.J.R. 15 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
3	48b	Teacher Retirement System	+	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 27	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	5	Adopted	68.4%	
3	48b	Teacher Retirement System	-	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Same ballot proposition also repealed 3:48a, 3:51-e, 3:51-f, 16:62, and 16:63 and consolidated and revised state and local retirement provisions within new 16:67.
3	48-d	rural fire prevention districts	+	1949/11/08	S.J.R. 5	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	8	Adopted	51.3%	Setting a maximum property tax rate of 3¢ per \$100 valuation to support rural fire prevention districts subject to voter approval to impose a tax. S.J.R. 5 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
3	48-d	rural fire prevention districts	Δ	1951/11/13	S.J.R. 8	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	3	Failed	35.2%	Increasing the maximum property tax rate to 50¢ per \$100 valuation.
3	48-d	rural fire prevention districts	Δ	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 60	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	2	Failed	47.9%	Setting a maximum tax rate of 6¢ per \$100 valuation for districts in or straddling counties with a population greater than 400,000.

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3	48-d	rural fire prevention districts	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 96	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	9	Adopted	53.1%	Setting a maximum tax rate of 5¢ per \$100 valuation for districts in or straddling Harris County.
3	48-d	rural fire prevention districts	-	2003/09/13	S.J.R. 45	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	19	Adopted	58.7%	S.B. 1021, 78th Leg., R.S., 2003 (session laws, p. 3419), provided for the conversion of rural fire prevention districts to emergency services districts.
3	48-e	emergency services districts	+	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 27	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	13	Adopted	64.3%	Authorizing the creation of emergency services districts and the levy of a supporting property tax subject to voter approval. Duplicate section numbering.
3	48-e	emergency services districts	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	48-e	jail districts	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 18	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	18	Adopted	55.7%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation, operation, and financing of jail districts. Duplicate section numbering.
3	48-e	jail districts	-	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Renumbered as 3:48-f. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	48-f	jail districts	+	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Formerly 3:48-e (H.J.R. 18 (1987)). See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	48-f	jail districts	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49	state debt and limitations relating to its creation	=	1876/02/15						
3	49	state debt and limitations relating to its creation	Δ	1913/07/19	S.J.R. 18	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	14.1%	Financing educational buildings and improvements. Same ballot proposition amended 3:52.
3	49	state debt and limitations relating to its creation	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 13	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	26.1%	Authorizing state bonds for highway construction.
3	49	state debt and limitations relating to its creation	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 21	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	8	Adopted	72.1%	Authorizing the legislature to submit questions relating to the creation of debt to state voters in the form of propositions.
3	49a	revenue estimates and appropriations certification (pay-as-you-go amendment)	+	1942/11/03	H.J.R. 1	47th Leg., R.S., 1941	-	Adopted	57.0%	Requiring the comptroller of public accounts to submit a statement showing the financial condition of the state treasury at the close of the last fiscal period and an estimate of probable receipts and disbursements for the current year, including an itemized statement of anticipated revenue for the following biennium. Requiring all appropriations bills to be sent to the comptroller for certification that the amounts appropriated fall within the revenue estimate.
3	49a	revenue estimates and appropriations certification (pay-as-you-go amendment)	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 8	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	1	Failed	43.3%	Conforming to a provision in the same ballot proposition that provides for annual legislative sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 3:5, 3:24, and 8:6.

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3	49a	revenue estimates and appropriations certification (pay-as-you-go amendment)	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-b	issue to permanent school fund of bonds for construction of state office space	+	1942/11/03	H.J.R. 23	47th Leg., R.S., 1941	-	Failed	46.9%	
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	+	1946/11/07	H.J.R. 62	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	72.8%	Creating the Veterans' Land Board, composed of the governor, the attorney general, and the commissioner of the General Land Office. Authorizing the issuance of up to \$25 million in bonds to create the Veterans' Land Fund and setting the maximum bond interest rate at 3% per year.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1951/11/13	H.J.R. 2	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	4	Adopted	53.9%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$100 million and extending eligibility to any post-1945 veterans included in the program by statute.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1956/11/06	S.J.R. 2	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	5	Adopted	68.6%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$200 million. Replacing as members of the Veterans' Land Board the governor and the attorney general with two Texas citizens appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1960/11/08	S.J.R. 6	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	2	Adopted	66.2%	Increasing the maximum interest rate for subsequent bond issues from 3% to 3.5%.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 25	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	11	Adopted	55.2%	Allowing the resale to nonveterans of unsold land first offered to veterans.

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3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 16	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	4	Failed	49.2%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$350 million and the maximum bond interest rate to a weighted average annual interest rate of 4.5%. Clarifying eligibility of Texas veterans to exclude those dishonorably discharged and to require state residency both at the time of land purchase application and at the time of entrance into the military. Focusing eligibility on service during 1940-1955. Revising the qualifications for the citizen members of the Veterans' Land Board, similar to 1965 (failed) and 1967 (adopted) amendments.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 5	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	2	Failed	49.1%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$400 million and the maximum bond interest rate to a weighted average annual interest rate of 4.5%. Revising the qualifications for the citizen members of the Veterans' Land Board, similar to 1963 (failed) and 1967 (adopted) amendments.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1967/11/11	H.J.R. 17	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	3	Adopted	58.7%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$400 million and the maximum bond interest rate to a weighted average annual interest rate of 4.5%. Establishing a military service era from 1940 to the date of formal withdrawal of American troops from Vietnam. Clarifying eligibility to exclude those dishonorably discharged and to require Texas residency at the time of land purchase application and Texas residency either at the time of entrance into the military or for a minimum of five years preceding the application. Revising the qualifications for the citizen members of the Veterans' Land Board, similar to 1963 and 1965 amendments, both of which failed.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1973/11/06	H.J.R. 6	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	7	Adopted	62.4%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$500 million and replacing the maximum weighted average annual interest rate of the bonds from 4.5% to the rate provided by 3:65. Making the military service era open-ended from 1940 on. Allowing the surviving spouse of an eligible Texas veteran recently deceased to complete certain land purchases.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 13	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	2	Adopted	59.3%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$700 million and extending eligibility to unmarried surviving spouses of veterans who died in the line of duty.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 4	67th Leg., 1st C.S., 1981	7	Adopted	64.8%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$950 million. Same ballot proposition amended 3:65, regarding a maximum net effective interest rate.

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3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 9	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	8	Adopted	64.6%	Changing to a statutory, rather than constitutional, definition of "veteran." Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b-1.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 26	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	3	Adopted	54.3%	Relating to Veterans' Land Board terms of office and fund investment options. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b-1.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Consolidating the provisions of former 3:49-b-1, 3:49-b-2, and 3:49-b-3. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 82	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	7	Adopted	74.7%	Authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds for home mortgage loans to veterans and to use assets in certain veterans' land and housing funds to provide for veterans cemeteries.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 68	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	1	Adopted	81.5%	Authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide veterans homes for the aged or infirm and clarifying the board's authority to make principal, interest, and bond enhancement payments on revenue bonds. A separate H.J.R. 68 ballot proposition amended 7:5.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 116	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	6	Adopted	65.7%	Authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds for the purpose of selling land to veterans or providing mortgage loans in amounts equal to or less than amounts previously authorized. Removing the \$500 million cap on the principal amount of those outstanding bonds.
3	49-b	Veterans' Land Board, Veterans' Land Fund, Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund, and Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II	Δ	2011/11/08	H.J.R. 109	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	6	Adopted	51.6%	Clarifying a reference to the permanent school fund. Same ballot proposition amended 7:2, 7:4, and 7:5.
3	49-b-1	Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund	+	1983/11/08	S.J.R. 14	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	7	Adopted	70.9%	Setting a maximum bond authorization at \$800 million.

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3	49-b-1	Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 9	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	8	Adopted	64.6%	Increasing maximum bond authorization to \$1.3 billion. Changing to a statutory, rather than constitutional, definition of "veteran." Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b.
3	49-b-1	Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 26	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	3	Adopted	54.3%	Relating to fund investment options. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b.
3	49-b-1	Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Provisions consolidated within 3:49-b, along with those of 3:49-b-2 and 3:49-b-3. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-b-2	Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II; financial assistance to veterans and augmentation of bonds for Veterans' Land and Housing Assistance Funds	+	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 34	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	10	Adopted	53.0%	Setting a maximum bond authorization at \$750 million.
3	49-b-2	Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II; financial assistance to veterans and augmentation of bonds for Veterans' Land and Housing Assistance Funds	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Provisions consolidated within 3:49-b, along with those of 3:49-b-1 and 3:49-b-3. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-b-3	bond increase for veterans' housing assistance	+	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 34	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	5	Adopted	59.7%	Providing for an additional \$500 million in bonding authority.
3	49-b-3	bond increase for veterans' housing assistance	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Provisions consolidated within 3:49-b, along with those of 3:49-b-1 and 3:49-b-2. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-c	Texas Water Development Board, bond issue, and Texas Water Development Fund	+	1957/11/05	H.J.R. 3	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	3	Adopted	74.0%	Creating the Texas Water Development Board. Authorizing the board to issue up to \$100 million in bonds for water resource development and conservation. Providing for legislative prerogative, by two-thirds vote, to approve up to \$100 million of additional bonds for the same purpose.

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3	49-c	Texas Water Development Board, bond issue, and Texas Water Development Fund	Δ	1976/11/02	S.J.R. 49	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	43.0%	Replacing the original language. Redesignating original bond authorization of up to \$100 million for water quality enhancement purposes. Legislative prerogative, by two-thirds vote, to approve up to \$400 million of additional bonds for water development. Requiring majority legislative approval for any expenditure from bond proceeds of more than \$35 million for a single water project and requiring additionally that any such project be part of a statewide water development plan approved by the legislature. Restricting certain projects from being funded by the bond proceeds. Consolidating 3:49-d and 3:49-d-1 within 3:49-c.
3	49-c	Texas Water Development Board, bond issue, and Texas Water Development Fund	Δ	1976/11/02	H.J.R. 99	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Adopted	52.3%	No effect, as the amendment's proposed change to this section was contingent on the voter approval of failed S.J.R. 49 of the same session, also amending this section. Proposed H.J.R. 99 changes to this section were the same as proposed S.J.R. 49 changes, except for a nonlegislative bond authorization of \$200 million rather than \$100 million. H.J.R. 99 would have also increased the limit on the aggregate principal amount of Texas Water Development Bonds to \$400 million. Same ballot proposition successfully amended 3:49-d-1.
3	49-c	Texas Water Development Board, bond issue, and Texas Water Development Fund	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-d	water storage facilities, enlargement of reservoirs, and filtration, treatment, and transportation of water	+	1962/11/06	H.J.R. 46	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	4	Adopted	58.7%	Authorizing the use of proceeds from Texas Water Development Fund bonds as provided by 3:49-c for the acquisition and development of water storage facilities.
3	49-d	water storage facilities, enlargement of reservoirs, and filtration, treatment, and transportation of water	Δ	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 19	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	11	Adopted	64.2%	Providing for legislative prerogative, by two-thirds vote, to approve up to \$200 million of additional bonds. Adding water storage facility construction. Adding filtration, treatment, and transportation projects but prohibiting interbasin transfers above the foreseeable 50-year requirements of the basin of origin. Authorizing the Texas Water Development Board to sell, transfer, or lease any reservoirs, systems, or works it has financed.
3	49-d	water storage facilities, enlargement of reservoirs, and filtration, treatment, and transportation of water	-	1976/11/02	S.J.R. 49	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	43.0%	Consolidated within 3:49-c along with 3:49-d-1.

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3	49-d	water storage facilities, enlargement of reservoirs, and filtration, treatment, and transportation of water	Δ	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	1	Adopted	73.8%	Making conforming changes. Same ballot proposition included new 3:49-d-2, 3:49-d-3, 3:49-d-4, and 3:49-d-5. A separate H.J.R. 6 ballot proposition included new 3:50-d.
3	49-d	water storage facilities, enlargement of reservoirs, and filtration, treatment, and transportation of water	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-d-1	broadening the powers of the Texas Water Development Board	+	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 9	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	2	Failed	49.5%	Authorizing an additional water bond issue of up to \$3.5 billion with supermajority legislative approval. Effectively eliminating constitutional water bond interest rate ceilings. Authorizing Texas Water Development Board contracts with other states, the federal government, foreign governments, and other parties for acquisition and development of water resources and facilities.
3	49-d-1	additional water development bonds for water quality enhancement purposes	+	1971/05/18	S.J.R. 17	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	4	Adopted	52.8%	Authorizing an additional bond issue of up to \$100 million.
3	49-d-1	additional water development bonds for water quality enhancement purposes	-	1976/11/02	S.J.R. 49	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	43.0%	Consolidated within 3:49-c along with 3:49-d.
3	49-d-1	additional water development bonds for water quality enhancement purposes	Δ	1976/11/02	H.J.R. 99	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Adopted	52.3%	Increasing the limit on the aggregate principal amount of the bonds to \$200 million. Same ballot proposition included potential changes to 3:49-c. See the discussion of the two 3:49-c measures from 1976.
3	49-d-1	additional water development bonds for water quality enhancement purposes	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-d-2	additional bonding authority of Texas Water Development Board	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	1	Adopted	73.8%	Authorizing additional Texas Water Development Bonds up to \$980 million and allocating the bonds for specific purposes. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-d and included new 3:49-d-3, 3:49-d-4, and 3:49-d-5. A separate H.J.R. 6 ballot proposition included new 3:50-d.
3	49-d-2	additional bonding authority of Texas Water Development Board	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.

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3	49-d-3	creation and use of special funds for water projects	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	1	Adopted	73.8%	Authorizing the legislature to create one or more special funds in the state treasury for water conservation, water development, water quality enhancement, flood control, drainage, subsidence control, recharge, chloride control, agricultural soil and water conservation, and desalinization. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-d and included new 3:49-d-2, 3:49-d-4, and 3:49-d-5. A separate H.J.R. 6 ballot proposition included new 3:50-d.
3	49-d-4	bond insurance program for water projects	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	1	Adopted	73.8%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation, administration, and implementation of a bond insurance program to insure payment on bonds issued by local political subdivisions for certain water projects. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-d and included new 3:49-d-2, 3:49-d-3, and 3:49-d-5. A separate H.J.R. 6 ballot proposition included new 3:50-d.
3	49-d-5	extension of benefits to nonprofit water supply corporations	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	1	Adopted	73.8%	Authorizing the legislature to extend to a nonprofit water supply corporation any benefits established or authorized in specified provisions of Article III that the legislature extends to a water district. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-d and included new 3:49-d-2, 3:49-d-3, and 3:49-d-4. A separate H.J.R. 6 ballot proposition included new 3:50-d.
3	49-d-5	extension of benefits to nonprofit water supply corporations	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-d-6	additional water development bonds	+	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 54	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	23	Adopted	64.1%	Authorizing an additional water bond issue of \$400 million and providing for related review and approval requirements.
3	49-d-6	additional water development bonds	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-d-7	additional water development bonds	+	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 5	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	2	Adopted	59.8%	Authorizing an additional water bond issue of \$500 million and specifying additional purposes for the use of bond proceeds.
3	49-d-7	additional water development bonds	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 34	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	12	Adopted	54.5%	Increasing the percentage of previously authorized bonds allocable to economically distressed areas.
3	49-d-7	additional water development bonds	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-d-8	Texas Water Development Fund II	+	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 17	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	7	Adopted	64.0%	Creating the fund and authorizing the Texas Water Development Board to issue general obligation bonds for one or more accounts in the fund. Same ballot proposition amended 3:50-d.
3	49-d-8	Texas Water Development Fund II	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.

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3	49-d-9	additional general obligation bonds for the Texas Water Development Fund II	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 81	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	19	Adopted	63.8%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$2 billion in additional Texas Water Development Board general obligation bonds.
3	49-d-10	additional general obligation bonds for assistance to economically distressed areas	+	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 20	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	16	Adopted	60.8%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$250 million in Texas Water Development Board general obligation bonds for the economically distressed areas program account in the Texas Water Development Fund II.
3	49-d-11	additional general obligation bonds for the Texas Water Development Fund II	+	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 4	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	2	Adopted	51.5%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$6 billion at any one time in additional Texas Water Development Board general obligation bonds.
3	49-d-12	State Water Implementation Fund for Texas	+	2013/11/05	S.J.R. 1	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	6	Adopted	73.4%	Creating the fund to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan and providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Water Development Board to enter into bond enhancement agreements payable from the fund. Same ballot proposition added 3:49-d-13.
3	49-d-13	State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas	+	2013/11/05	S.J.R. 1	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	6	Adopted	73.4%	Creating the fund to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan and providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Water Development Board to issue revenue bonds and to enter into related credit agreements. Same ballot proposition added 3:49-d-12.
3	49-d-14	flood infrastructure fund	+	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 4	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	8	Adopted	77.9%	
3	49-d-14	additional general obligation bonds for water supply and sewer service projects in economically distressed areas	+	2019/11/05	S.J.R. 79	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	2	Adopted	65.7%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$200 million at any one time in additional Texas Water Development Board general obligation bonds for the economically distressed areas program account in the Texas Water Development Fund II.
3	49-e	Texas Park Development Fund	+	1967/11/11	H.J.R. 12	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	5	Adopted	54.7%	Authorizing the creation of the fund and the issue of general obligation bonds of up to \$75 million.
3	49-e	Texas Park Development Fund	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	49-e	Texas Park Development Fund	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-f	bond issues to provide financial assistance for purchase of farm and ranch land	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 19	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	10	Adopted	51.1%	Authorizing general obligation bond issues for the farm and ranch finance program fund.

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3	49-f	bond issues to provide financial assistance for purchase of farm and ranch land	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	49-f	bond issues to provide financial assistance for purchase of farm and ranch land	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 51	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	3	Adopted	55.9%	Providing for administration of the farm and ranch finance program fund by the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority rather than the Veterans' Land Board.
3	49-g	superconducting super collider fund	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 88	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	19	Adopted	64.1%	Duplicate section numbering. Authorizing an issue of up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds.
3	49-g	superconducting super collider fund	Δ	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 73	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	7	Adopted	78.2%	Reducing the bond authorization to \$250 million.
3	49-g	superconducting super collider fund	-	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Congress discontinued federal funding for the super collider project. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	49-g	economic stabilization fund (rainy day fund)	+	1988/11/08	H.J.R. 2	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	2	Adopted	61.6%	Duplicate section numbering. Establishing the fund and providing for appropriations and transfers to and from the fund. H.J.R. 2 was amended by S.J.R. 5, 70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987 (session laws, p. 939), and S.J.R. 8, 70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987 (session laws, p. 940), both of which provided for a different election date.
3	49-g	economic stabilization fund (rainy day fund)	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	49-g	economic stabilization fund (rainy day fund)	Δ	2014/11/04	S.J.R. 1	83rd Leg., 3rd C.S., 2013	1	Adopted	79.9%	Providing for the transfer of certain general revenue to the economic stabilization fund and to the state highway fund and for the dedication of the revenue transferred to the state highway fund for certain transportation purposes.
3	49-h	bond issues for correctional institutions, youth correctional institutions, law enforcement facilities, and mental health and mental retardation institutions	+	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 56	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	8	Adopted	65.7%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$500 million in bonds for new or existing corrections or mental health related facilities.
3	49-h	bond issues for correctional institutions, youth correctional institutions, law enforcement facilities, and mental health and mental retardation institutions	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 24	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	8	Adopted	68.6%	Authorizing an additional \$400 million bond issue. Including law enforcement facilities.

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3	49-h	bond issues for correctional institutions, youth correctional institutions, law enforcement facilities, and mental health and mental retardation institutions	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 4	72nd Leg., 1st C.S., 1991	4	Adopted	67.5%	Authorizing an additional \$1.1 billion bond issue.
3	49-h	bond issues for correctional institutions, youth correctional institutions, law enforcement facilities, and mental health and mental retardation institutions	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 45	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	14	Adopted	62.4%	Authorizing an additional \$1 billion bond issue.
3	49-h	bond issues for correctional institutions, youth correctional institutions, law enforcement facilities, and mental health and mental retardation institutions	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	49-i	bond issue to establish a local project fund for public facilities	+	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 55	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	7	Failed	39.8%	
3	49-i	Texas agricultural fund and rural microenterprise development fund	+	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 51	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	3	Adopted	52.3%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$25 million and \$5 million, respectively, in general obligation bonds to create the two funds. Same ballot proposition included new 16:71.
3	49-i	Texas agricultural fund and rural microenterprise development fund	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 44	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	16	Failed	44.5%	Including notes as well as bonds. Increasing the Texas agricultural fund maximum to \$100 million.
3	49-j	limit on state debt payable from general revenue fund	+	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 59	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	11	Adopted	68.0%	Prohibiting the authorization of additional state debt if the debt service exceeds a specified threshold.
3	49-k	Texas Mobility Fund	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 16	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	15	Adopted	67.7%	Creating the fund to finance construction, reconstruction, acquisition, operation, and expansion of state highways, turnpikes, toll roads, toll bridges, and other projects. Same ballot proposition amended 3:52-b.
3	49-l	financial assistance to counties for roadway projects to serve border colonias	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 37	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	2	Adopted	61.4%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$175 million in general obligation bonds for border colonia access road projects.

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3	49-m	Texas Department of Transportation short-term notes and loans	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 28	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	14	Adopted	61.0%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Department of Transportation to issue notes or borrow money. Same ballot proposition included new 3:49-n.
3	49-n	highway tax and revenue anticipation notes	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 28	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	14	Adopted	61.0%	Duplicate section numbering. Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Transportation Commission to issue bonds and other public securities. Same ballot proposition included new 3:49-m.
3	49-n	general obligation bonds and notes for military value revolving loan account	+	2003/09/13	S.J.R. 55	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	20	Adopted	56.9%	Duplicate section numbering. Providing for the legislature's authorization of one or more state agencies to issue up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds for deposit in the account.
3	49-o	Texas rail relocation and improvement fund	+	2005/11/08	H.J.R. 54	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	1	Adopted	53.8%	Creating the fund to finance the relocation and improvement of passenger and freight rail facilities to relieve congestion, enhance safety, improve air quality, and expand economic opportunity.
3	49-p	general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects	+	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 64	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	12	Adopted	62.6%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds.
3	50	prohibition against legislative lending or pledging of credit of state	=	1876/02/15						
3	50	prohibition against legislative lending or pledging of credit of state	Δ	1919/05/24	H.J.R. 19	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	49.9%	Allowing the lending of state credit for home acquisition or improvement.
3	50a	State Medical Education Board and State Medical Education Fund	+	1952/11/04	H.J.R. 38	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	-	Adopted	50.4%	Creating the State Medical Education Board and the State Medical Education Fund to provide grants, loans, or scholarships to medical school students agreeing to practice in rural areas.
3	50a	State Medical Education Board and State Medical Education Fund	-	2013/11/05	H.J.R. 79	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	2	Adopted	84.7%	
3	50b	student loan bonds; creating the Texas Opportunity Plan Fund	+	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 11	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	6	Adopted	65.7%	Authorizing a bond issue of up to \$85 million.
3	50b	student loan bonds; creating the Texas Opportunity Plan Fund	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	50b-1	additional student loan bonds under the Texas Opportunity Plan	+	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 50	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	8	Adopted	60.4%	Authorizing an additional bond issue of up to \$200 million.

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3	50b-1	additional student loan bonds under the Texas Opportunity Plan	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	50b-2	additional student loan bonds	+	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 74	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	21	Adopted	61.1%	Authorizing an additional bond issue of up to \$75 million.
3	50b-2	additional student loan bonds	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	50b-3	additional student loan bonds	+	1991/08/10	S.J.R. 5	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	2	Failed	49.6%	Authorizing an additional bond issue of up to \$300 million. Similar to approved 3:50b-3 (S.J.R. 2, Nov 1991).
3	50b-3	additional student loan bonds	+	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 2	72nd Leg., 2nd C.S., 1991	13	Adopted	65.0%	Authorizing an additional bond issue of up to \$300 million. Similar to failed 3:50b-3 (S.J.R. 5, Aug 1991).
3	50b-3	additional student loan bonds	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	50b-4	additional student loan bonds	+	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 50	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	1	Adopted	64.7%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$300 million in general obligation bonds to finance student loans.
3	50b-4	additional student loan bonds	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Replacing the \$300 million bond issue cap with an amount authorized by constitutional amendment or debt proposition. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	50b-5	additional student loan bonds	+	1999/11/02	S.J.R. 16	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	13	Adopted	71.0%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$400 million in general obligation bonds.
3	50b-6	additional student loan bonds	+	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 57	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	2	Adopted	65.8%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds. Same ballot proposition added 3:50b-6A.
3	50b-6A	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board bond enhancement agreements	+	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 57	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	2	Adopted	65.8%	Same ballot proposition added 3:50b-6.
3	50b-7	additional student loan bonds	+	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 50	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	3	Adopted	54.5%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue general obligation bonds to finance student loans in amounts equal to or less than amounts previously authorized.
3	50c	farm and ranch loan security program	+	1979/11/06	S.J.R. 13	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	3	Adopted	54.5%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the agriculture commissioner to issue up to \$10 million in general obligation bonds.
3	50c	farm and ranch loan security program	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.

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3	50-d	agricultural water conservation bonds	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 6	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	2	Adopted	69.6%	Authorizing the Texas Water Development Board to issue up to \$200 million in agricultural water conservation bonds, subject to approval by a two-thirds vote in each house of the legislature. Bond authorization limited to a four-year period. A separate H.J.R. 6 ballot proposition included new 3:49-d-2, 3:49-d-3, 3:49-d-4, and 3:49-d-5 and amended 3:49-d.
3	50-d	agricultural water conservation bonds	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 44	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	18	Adopted	50.1%	Removing the four-year limitation on bond authorization.
3	50-d	agricultural water conservation bonds	Δ	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 17	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	7	Adopted	64.0%	Eliminating consideration of the amount in the associated sinking fund in appropriating funds for debt service. Same ballot proposition included new 3:49-d-8.
3	50-e	guarantee of Texas grain warehouse self-insurance fund	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 104	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	1	Adopted	55.1%	Authorizing a fund guarantee in an amount up to \$5 million.
3	50-f	general obligation bonds for construction and repair projects; purchase of equipment	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 97	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	8	Adopted	62.5%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue up to \$850 million in general obligation bonds.
3	50-g	bonds for maintenance, improvement, construction, and repair projects and purchase of equipment	+	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 65	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	4	Adopted	58.2%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue up to \$1 billion in general obligation bonds.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	=	1876/02/15						Originally prohibiting the granting of public money to an individual, association of individuals, or municipal or other corporation, except for aid in case of public calamity.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1894/11/06	H.J.R. 4	23rd Leg., R.S., 1893	-	Adopted	70.7%	Providing an exception from the general prohibition to authorize granting of aid, capped at \$100,000 per year, for a home for indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1898/11/01	H.J.R. 34	25th Leg., R.S., 1897	-	Adopted	51.7%	Authorizing direct aid benefits of up to \$250,000 per year to Confederate veterans and widows. Tightening eligibility requirements for residence at the Confederate home.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1904/11/08	H.J.R. 1	28th Leg., R.S., 1903	-	Adopted	70.2%	Doubling to \$500,000 the amount of direct aid benefits available per year and expanding eligibility to include more widows.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1907/08/06	S.J.R. 12	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	48.4%	Providing for the establishment of a home for the wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and women who aided in the Confederacy. Successfully adopted as H.J.R. 7 (1910).

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3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1910/11/08	H.J.R. 7	31st Leg., R.S., 1909	-	Adopted	79.9%	Providing for the establishment of a home for the wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and women who aided in the Confederacy. Previous attempt by S.J.R. 12 (1907) failed.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1912/11/05	S.J.R. 9	32nd Leg., R.S., 1911	-	Adopted	76.4%	Relaxing eligibility requirements for direct aid to Confederate veterans and their widows. Authorizing direct aid to indigent and disabled soldiers who protected the frontier against Indian raids or Mexican marauders, to indigent and disabled soldiers of the militia of the State of Texas, and to their indigent widows. Removing appropriation caps on direct aid and aid for the Confederate home. Instead authorizing a state property tax of up to 5¢ on the \$100 valuation of property for the payment of Confederate pensions.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 35	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	48.8%	Making the property tax for the payment of Confederate pensions mandatory and increasing the cap of the tax to 7¢ on the \$100 valuation of property. Relaxing eligibility requirements for direct aid. Successfully adopted as S.J.R. 10 (1924).
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1921/07/23	H.J.R. 11	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	44.7%	Similar to failed 1919 amendment. Successfully adopted as S.J.R. 10 (1924).
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1924/11/04	S.J.R. 10	38th Leg., R.S., 1923	-	Adopted	71.8%	Similar to failed 1919 amendment.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1928/11/06	H.J.R. 15	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Adopted	70.3%	Removing specific eligibility criteria for direct aid and giving the legislature discretion in granting such aid.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 32	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	7	Adopted	64.1%	Removing provisions providing for the state property tax for payment of Confederate pensions, the Confederate home, and elaboration concerning who is eligible for direct aid. Same ballot proposition included new 8:1-e.
3	51	conditional prohibition on grants of public money	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Removing remaining Confederate pension provisions. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	51a	assistance to the needy	+	1933/08/26	S.J.R. 30	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Adopted	67.4%	Authorizing a bond issue of up to \$20 million to furnish relief and work relief to the needy, the distressed, and those suffering hardship from unemployment.
3	51a	assistance to the needy	Δ	1945/08/25	H.J.R. 13	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	55.4%	Consolidating and revising the provisions of former 3:51-b (1935), 3:51-c (1937), and 3:51d (1937), relating to assistance to the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children. Increasing from \$15 to \$20 the maximum monthly payment to the aged. Capping state funds for such assistance at \$35 million annually and requiring matching federal funds.

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3	51a	assistance to the needy	Δ	1951/11/13	H.J.R. 6	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	5	Failed	44.2%	Increasing from \$20 to \$30 the maximum monthly payment to the needy aged and excluding assistance to certain aged applicants with earnings from the sale of property. Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds from \$35 million to \$42 million.
3	51a	assistance to the needy	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 7	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	1	Adopted	72.6%	Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds from \$35 million to \$42 million. Providing for the availability of lists of aid recipients.
3	51a	assistance to the needy	Δ	1957/11/05	H.J.R. 2	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	2	Adopted	85.6%	Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds from \$42 million to \$47 million. Increasing from \$20 to \$21 the maximum monthly payment to the needy aged from state funds, or to \$25 if amounts above \$21 are matched from federal funds. Making related appropriations.
3	51a	assistance to the needy	Δ	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 9	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	2	Adopted	61.2%	Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds from \$47 million to \$52 million. Removing the 1957 appropriation provisions.
3	51a	assistance to the needy	-	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 21	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	2	Adopted	63.3%	Replacing both this section (referred to in the resolution as 3:51-a) and 3:51-b-1 with new 3:51-a.
3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	+	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 21	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	2	Adopted	63.3%	Replacing older 3:51a (referred to in the resolution as 3:51-a) and 3:51-b-1. Setting the maximum annual expenditure from state funds at \$60 million. Removing stated residence requirements and instead requiring the legislature to prescribe such requirements. Removing caps on assistance to the needy aged and needy disabled and instead requiring matching federal funds for all aid. Making the requirement that the legislature make lists of aid recipients available for inspection permissive.
3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	Δ	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 81	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	3	Adopted	70.1%	Incorporating medical care content of former 3:51a-1 and 3:51a-2, which were removed as part of the same ballot proposition. Generally expanding eligibility for aid, removing the provision providing for the availability of lists of aid recipients, and generally providing for aid for rehabilitation and vision correction.
3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	Δ	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 41	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	2	Failed	43.5%	Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds from \$60 million to \$75 million.

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3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	Δ	1969/08/05	S.J.R. 8	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	5	Adopted	64.7%	Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds from \$60 million to \$80 million and making an associated supplemental appropriation for FY1970-FY1971. Removing age-related eligibility requirements for all four categories of recipients and removing citizenship requirements for all but the needy aged. Authorizing the legislature to elaborate on eligibility.
3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	Δ	1971/05/18	S.J.R. 5	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	3	Failed	48.1%	Eliminating the annual ceiling with respect to the disabled, aged, and blind. Setting a maximum annual expenditure from state funds of \$55 million for assistance grants to needy dependent children and their caretakers. Removing the FY1970-FY1971 appropriation provision.
3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	Δ	1982/11/02	H.J.R. 62	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	2	Adopted	66.0%	Eliminating the annual ceiling for state funds with respect to the disabled, aged, and blind. Setting a maximum annual expenditure from state funds of \$80 million for assistance grants to needy dependent children and their caretakers, setting such limit at \$160 million for FY1982-FY1983, and setting the limit at no more than one percent of the state budget for each subsequent biennium. Removing eligibility criteria for aid to the needy aged. Removing the explicit requirement for federal matching funds. Removing the FY1970-FY1971 appropriation provision. H.J.R. 62 was amended by S.J.R. 10, 67th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1982 (session laws, p. 50), which replaced the proposed language contained in H.J.R. 62.
3	51-a	assistance grants and medical care for the needy aged, needy disabled, needy blind, and needy children	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	51a-1	medical care for the needy aged, needy blind, needy children, and needy disabled	+	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 36	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	8	Adopted	60.8%	
3	51a-1	medical care for the needy aged, needy blind, needy children, and needy disabled	-	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 81	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	3	Adopted	70.1%	Rolled into 3:51-a along with 3:51a-2.
3	51-a-1	assistance to local fire departments and other public fire-fighting organizations	+	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 33	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	17	Adopted	59.0%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of the use of public money to provide financial assistance in the purchase of equipment and scholarships and grants for education and training of personnel.
3	51a-2	medical care to certain needy elderly	+	1964/11/03	S.J.R. 10	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	3	Adopted	71.1%	Includes aid for vision correction.
3	51a-2	medical care to certain needy elderly	-	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 81	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	3	Adopted	70.1%	Rolled into 3:51-a along with 3:51a-1.

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3	51-b	old-age pensions	+	1935/08/24	H.J.R. 19	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Adopted	80.4%	Setting a maximum monthly payment to the aged of \$15.
3	51-b	old-age pensions	-	1945/08/25	H.J.R. 13	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	55.4%	Consolidating this section (referred to in the resolution as 3:51b) within 3:51a (1933), along with 3:51-c and 3:51d (both 1937).
3	51-b	State Building Commission and State Building Fund	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 10	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	4	Adopted	77.2%	
3	51-b	State Building Commission and State Building Fund	Δ	1970/11/03	H.J.R. 15	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	4	Failed	49.8%	Revising the commission to consist of gubernatorial appointees rather than ex officio members.
3	51-b	State Building Commission and State Building Fund	-	1978/11/07	S.J.R. 48	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	7	Adopted	60.8%	
3	51-b	assistance to the needy disabled	+	1956/11/13	H.J.R. 30	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	-	Adopted	89.9%	Duplicate section numbering. Originally capping the annual expenditure from state funds for assistance payments at \$1.5 million.
3	51-b	assistance to the needy disabled	-	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 7	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	8	Adopted	56.5%	Moving this section to new 3:51-b-1.
3	51-b-1	assistance to the needy	+	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 7	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	8	Adopted	56.5%	Moving this section from 3:51-b (1956). Increasing the maximum annual expenditure from state funds for assistance payments from \$1.5 million to \$2.5 million.
3	51-b-1	assistance to the needy	-	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 21	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	2	Adopted	63.3%	Replacing both this section and 3:51a with new 3:51-a.
3	51-c	assistance to certain needy blind	+	1937/08/23	H.J.R. 26	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	6	Adopted	73.2%	
3	51-c	assistance to certain needy blind	-	1945/08/25	H.J.R. 13	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	55.4%	Consolidating this section (referred to in the resolution as 3:51c) within 3:51a (1933), along with 3:51-b (1935) and 3:51d (1937).
3	51-c	aid or compensation to persons improperly fined or imprisoned	+	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 31	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	1	Adopted	86.5%	Authorizing the legislature to grant such aid or compensation.
3	51d	assistance to needy children	+	1937/08/23	H.J.R. 26-A	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	2	Adopted	67.6%	Setting the maximum annual expenditure of state funds at \$1.5 million.
3	51d	assistance to needy children	-	1945/08/25	H.J.R. 13	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	55.4%	Consolidating this section within 3:51a (1933), along with 3:51-b (1935) and 3:51-c (1937).
3	51-d	assistance to survivors of law enforcement and other officers and full-paid firemen who die in the course of duty	+	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 37	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	6	Adopted	72.0%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for such assistance, limited to surviving spouses and minor children of law enforcement officers, full-paid firemen, and Texas Department of Corrections custodial personnel.

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3	51-d	assistance to survivors of law enforcement and other officers and full-paid firemen who die in the course of duty	Δ	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 4	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	7	Adopted	64.2%	Extending assistance to officers, employees, and agents who suffer death from hazardous duty and making it applicable to personnel of the state, cities, counties, districts, or other political subdivisions, including members of organized volunteer fire departments and certain members of organized police reserve or auxiliary units.
3	51-d	assistance to survivors of law enforcement and other officers and full-paid firemen who die in the course of duty	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 65	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	3	Adopted	63.5%	Extending assistance to surviving dependent parents and siblings.
3	51-e	municipal provision of retirement and disability pensions for city officers and employees	+	1944/11/07	H.J.R. 8	48th Leg., R.S., 1943	-	Adopted	61.3%	A separate H.J.R. 8 ballot proposition included new 3:51-f.
3	51-e	municipal provision of retirement and disability pensions for city officers and employees	-	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Repealing this section (referred to in the resolution as 3:51e). Same ballot proposition also repealed 3:48a, 3:48b, 3:51-f, 16:62, and 16:63 and consolidated and revised state and local retirement provisions within new 16:67.
3	51-f	legislative provision of statewide retirement and disability pensions for city officers and employees, with voluntary municipal participation	+	1944/11/07	H.J.R. 8	48th Leg., R.S., 1943	-	Adopted	59.4%	A separate H.J.R. 8 ballot proposition included new 3:51-e.
3	51-f	legislative provision of statewide retirement and disability pensions for city officers and employees, with voluntary municipal participation	-	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Repealing this section (referred to in the resolution as 3:51f). Same ballot proposition also repealed 3:48a, 3:48b, 3:51-e, 16:62, and 16:63 and consolidated and revised state and local retirement provisions within new 16:67.
3	51g	social security coverage of proprietary employees of political subdivisions	+	1954/11/02	H.J.R. 37	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	3	Adopted	66.7%	Granting the legislature power to pass laws needed to enter into agreements with the federal government and to make appropriations necessary to provide coverage.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	=	1876/02/15						
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1904/11/08	H.J.R. 11	28th Leg., R.S., 1903	-	Adopted	52.6%	Allowing local government bond issues and lending of credit for specified road, irrigation, navigation, flood control, and drainage purposes.

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3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1913/07/19	S.J.R. 4	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Never submitted to voters	N/A	Authorizing local government bond issues for public improvements and agricultural warehouses. Amending only 3:52 but dividing the amendment into two ballot propositions on the public improvements and warehouse issues, respectively. See comments on S.J.R. 18 (3:52 (1913)).
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1913/07/19	S.J.R. 18	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	14.1%	Incorporating provisions similar to S.J.R. 4 (3:52 (1913)) relating to bond issuance for local improvements. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1915/07/24	S.J.R. 18	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	25.1%	Empowering legislature to authorize property taxes for authorized purposes. Allowing local government bond issues and lending of credit for reclaiming and improving certain wetlands.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1970/11/03	H.J.R. 28	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	5	Adopted	52.2%	Granting other counties the same authority to issue road bonds as granted to Dallas County by 3:52e (1968).
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 42	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	8	Adopted	68.2%	Authorizing water districts to issue bonds for firefighting. Same ballot proposition amended 16:59.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 73	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	6	Failed	35.1%	Providing that 3:52 does not prohibit the use of public funds or credit for the premium payments on certain insurance contracts of mutual insurance companies.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1986/11/04	H.J.R. 73	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	3	Adopted	64.4%	Providing that 3:52 does not prohibit the use of public funds or credit for the premium payments on certain insurance contracts of mutual insurance companies.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 59	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	19	Adopted	60.4%	Authorizing a political subdivision to invest its funds as authorized by law. Same ballot proposition amended 11:3.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	52	credit and grant limitations on counties, cities, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 69	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	11	Adopted	62.2%	Authorizing a political subdivision to purchase property and casualty insurance.
3	52a	issue of industrial development bonds by towns, cities, and counties	+	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 14	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	12	Failed	49.0%	

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3	52a	revenue bond issue by political subdivisions to develop employment opportunities	+	1978/11/07	S.J.R. 55	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	2	Failed	46.7%	
3	52-a	loan or grant of public money for economic development	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 5	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	4	Adopted	51.7%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation of economic development programs and to make loans and grants in connection with such programs.
3	52-a	loan or grant of public money for economic development	Δ	2005/11/08	H.J.R. 80	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	3	Adopted	51.8%	Specifying that associated programs, grants, and loans not secured or financed by property taxes do not constitute or create debt.
3	52-b	state limitation on granting money or lending credit for toll roads	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 14	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	6	Adopted	59.9%	Prohibiting the legislature from providing money or credit to, or assuming the debt of, any entity constructing, maintaining, or operating toll roads or turnpikes.
3	52-b	state limitation on granting money or lending credit for toll roads	Δ	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 65	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	5	Failed	46.1%	Authorizing local property taxes in support of turnpike projects. Authorizing joint projects of Texas Turnpike Authority and State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.
3	52-b	state limitation on granting money or lending credit for toll roads	Δ	1991/11/05	H.J.R. 10	72nd Leg., 1st C.S., 1991	2	Adopted	50.6%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of fund transfers from the Texas Department of Transportation to the Texas Turnpike Authority and requiring repayment from tolls or other turnpike revenue.
3	52-b	state limitation on granting money or lending credit for toll roads	Δ	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 16	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	15	Adopted	67.7%	Removing reference to the Texas Turnpike Authority. Same ballot proposition added 3:49-k creating the Texas Mobility Fund.
3	52d	Harris County taxes for road purposes	+	1937/08/23	S.J.R. 16	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	5	Adopted	55.0%	Authorizing Harris County or a road district in the county to collect a property tax for up to five years, subject to voter approval, to create a road and bridge fund.
3	52d	Harris County taxes for road purposes	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	52e	medical expenses of law enforcement officials	+	1967/11/11	S.J.R. 6	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	4	Adopted	65.4%	Authorizing counties to pay the medical expenses of law enforcement officials injured in the course of duty. Duplicate section numbering.
3	52e	Dallas County issue of road bonds	+	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 37	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	4	Adopted	50.7%	Granting Dallas County the authority to issue bonds for road construction, maintenance, and operation, subject to voter approval. Duplicate section numbering.
3	52e	Dallas County issue of road bonds	-	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Renumbered as 3:52g. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	52f	private road work by certain counties	+	1980/11/04	H.J.R. 121	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	7	Adopted	67.8%	Authorizing a county with a population of 5,000 or less to construct and maintain private roads for compensation.
3	52f	private road work by certain counties	Δ	2015/11/03	S.J.R. 17	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	5	Adopted	82.8%	Extending the authority to construct and maintain private roads to a county with a population of 7,500 or less.

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3	52g	uncompensated county performance of work for another governmental entity	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 83	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	24	Failed	49.2%	
3	52g	Dallas County bond issues for roads and turnpikes	+	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Formerly 3:52e (1968). See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	52g	Dallas County bond issues for roads and turnpikes	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	52h	donation of firefighting equipment or supplies by municipalities to underdeveloped countries	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 32	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	5	Adopted	71.4%	
3	52i	donation of surplus firefighting equipment or supplies by municipalities for the benefit of rural volunteer fire departments	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 61	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	10	Adopted	91.7%	H.J.R. 61 was amended by H.J.R. 62, 78th Leg., R.S., 2003 (session laws, p. 6236), which provided for a different election date.
3	52j	repurchase of real property acquired by a governmental entity through eminent domain	+	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 30	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	7	Adopted	80.3%	Authorizing a governmental entity to sell real property acquired through eminent domain to the immediately preceding property owner under certain conditions.
3	52k	municipal or county bond issues for acquisition of land surrounding military installations	+	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 132	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	1	Adopted	55.2%	Allowing the legislature to authorize a municipality or county to issue bonds or notes to finance the acquisition of buffer areas adjacent to a military installation for specified purposes. Authorizing the municipality or county to repay such bonds or notes with tax revenues imposed in the area.
3	52l	donation of law enforcement animal	+	2019/11/05	S.J.R. 32	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	10	Adopted	93.8%	
3	53	extra compensation limitation applicable to counties and cities	=	1876/02/15						
3	54	liens on railroads	=	1876/02/15						
3	54	liens on railroads	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
3	55	conditional prohibition on legislative release or extinguishment of indebtedness to the state, a county, or a city	=	1876/02/15						Originally denying the legislature the power to release or extinguish indebtedness to the state, a county, or a city.

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3	55	conditional prohibition on legislative release or extinguishment of indebtedness to the state, a county, or a city	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 12	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	65.3%	Exempting certain delinquent taxes from the prohibition.
3	56	prohibition against passage of local and special laws, except as otherwise provided	=	1876/02/15						
3	56	prohibition against passage of local and special laws, except as otherwise provided	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
3	57	notice of intention to apply for local or special law	=	1876/02/15						
3	58	seat of government	=	1876/02/15						
3	59	workers' compensation for state employees	+	1936/11/03	H.J.R. 23	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	3	Adopted	60.0%	Granting the legislature the power to pass laws necessary to provide state employees workers' compensation insurance coverage.
3	59	workers' compensation for state employees	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
3	60	workers' compensation for employees of counties and other political subdivisions	+	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 30	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	1	Adopted	78.6%	Granting the legislature the power to pass laws necessary to provide county employees workers' compensation insurance coverage.
3	60	workers' compensation for employees of counties and other political subdivisions	Δ	1962/11/06	H.J.R. 25	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	1	Adopted	50.2%	Extending coverage to other local government employees.
3	60	workers' compensation for employees of counties and other political subdivisions	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
3	60	authorizing the establishment of hospital districts	+	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 36	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	3	Failed	43.6%	Duplicate section numbering. H.J.R. 36 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
3	61	workers' compensation for municipal employees	+	1952/11/04	H.J.R. 20	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	-	Adopted	61.9%	
3	61	workers' compensation for municipal employees	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Municipalities are covered by 3:60 (1962). See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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3	61	minimum salaries of major state officeholders	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 5	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	5	Adopted	61.4%	Prohibiting the legislature from setting the salaries of the governor, attorney general, comptroller, treasurer, land commissioner, and secretary of state at less than those fixed constitutionally on January 1, 1953. Duplicate section numbering. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24, 4:5, 4:21, 4:22, and 4:23.
3	61	minimum salaries of major state officeholders	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	61	minimum salaries of major state officeholders	-	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Renumbered as 3:61-a. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	61-a	minimum salaries of major state officeholders	+	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Renumbered from 3:61 (1997). See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
3	62	continuity of government in event of enemy attack	+	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 13	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	7	Adopted	65.1%	Granting the legislature the power and duty to provide for immediate and temporary succession to nonlegislative offices.
3	62	continuity of government in event of enemy attack	Δ	1983/11/08	H.J.R. 30	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	4	Adopted	61.6%	Allowing suspension of certain legislative rules and the convening of the legislature at a place other than Austin.
3	63	consolidation of governmental functions in a county of 1.2 million or more	+	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 69	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	13	Adopted	55.8%	
3	63	consolidation of governmental functions in a county of 1.2 million or more	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Such counties are covered by the 1970 amendment to 3:64. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
3	64	consolidation of governmental offices and functions	+	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 60	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	11	Adopted	50.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for consolidation of governmental offices and functions in El Paso and Tarrant Counties.
3	64	consolidation of governmental offices and functions	Δ	1970/11/03	H.J.R. 22	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	7	Adopted	50.9%	Expanding the legislature's authority to provide for consolidation in any county.
3	64	removing interest rate limitations on certain bonds	+	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 7	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	6	Failed	47.5%	Duplicate section numbering.
3	65	maximum interest rate on certain public bonds	+	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 82	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	13	Adopted	57.2%	Setting a maximum weighted average annual interest rate of 6%.
3	65	maximum interest rate on certain public bonds	Δ	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 4	67th Leg., 1st C.S., 1981	7	Adopted	64.8%	Authorizing a maximum net effective interest rate of 10% on subsequent Veterans' Land Board bonds. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b.
3	65	maximum interest rate on certain public bonds	Δ	1982/11/02	S.J.R. 6	67th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1982	6	Adopted	60.3%	Increasing the weighted average annual interest rate to a maximum of 12% on certain bonds.

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3	66	legislative review of state agency rulemaking	+	1979/11/06	H.J.R. 133	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	2	Failed	47.8%	
3	66	authorization of inclusion of the speaker of the house in the membership of an agency or committee in the executive branch	+	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 17	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	21	Failed	42.9%	
3	66	limitation on liability for noneconomic damages	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 3	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	12	Adopted	51.1%	Relating to the civil liability of medical or health care providers, or of other parties, in a claim or cause of action. Authorizing the legislature to set a limit on noneconomic damages.
3	67	Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas	+	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 90	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	15	Adopted	61.5%	Establishing the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and specifying its functions, including a \$3 billion bond authorization.
3	67	Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas	Δ	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 12	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	6	Adopted	64.0%	Increasing the bond authorization to \$6 billion.
3	1975 revision	constitutional revision: legislative branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 3 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3134. Same ballot proposition provided for the adoption of replacement Articles 2 and 4.
3	1975 revision	constitutional revision: legislative branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of 3:45. See session laws, p. 3156. Proposition 1 included contingent provisions retaining and incorporating 3:45 in new Article 3 if Proposition 2 failed. See session laws, p. 3148.
3	1975 revision	constitutional revision: legislative branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	4	Failed	28.0%	Revising the education provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of 3:51-b. See session laws, p. 3168.

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3	1975 revision	constitutional revision: legislative branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	5	Failed	25.0%	Revising the finance provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 3:44, 3:49, 3:49a, 3:49-b, 3:49-c, 3:49-d, 3:49-d-1, 3:49-e, 3:50, 3:50a, 3:50b, 3:50b-1, 3:51, 3:51-a, 3:51-b, 3:51-c, 3:51-d, 3:51g, 3:52 (in part), 3:52-b, 3:52e (1967), 3:53, 3:54, 3:55, 3:59, 3:60, and 3:61 (1952). See session laws, p. 3176. Proposition 1 retained the content of some of these sections as part of its adoption of new Article 3. See session laws, p. 3134. In most other cases, Proposition 1 included contingent provisions retaining and incorporating the above sections in new Article 3 if Proposition 5 failed. See session laws, p. 3148. Also including a deletion of 3:65, to take effect if Proposition 4 succeeded. See session laws, p. 3179. Proposition 1 included contingent provisions, if Proposition 4 or Proposition 5 failed, retaining and incorporating 3:65 in new Article 3. See session laws, p. 3148. Including a contingent provision adding a section to existing Article 4 regarding the Veterans' Land Board if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3177.
3	1975 revision	constitutional revision: legislative branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 3:48-d, 3:52 (in part), 3:52d, 3:52e (1968), 3:63, and 3:64. See session laws, p. 3185. Proposition 6 retained some of this content as part of its adoption of new Article 9. See session laws, p. 3180. Proposition 1 included contingent provisions retaining and incorporating some of the above sections in new Article 3 if Proposition 6 failed. See session laws, p. 3148.
3	1975 revision	constitutional revision: legislative branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 3:20, 3:47, and 3:62. See session laws, p. 3193. Proposition 7 retained some of this content as part of its adoption of new Article 10. (Article 10 in the constitutional revision replaced existing Article 16 with numerous changes.) See session laws, p. 3187. Proposition 1 included contingent provisions retaining and incorporating 3:20 and 3:47 in new Article 3 if Proposition 7 failed. See session laws, p. 3148.
4	1	executive branch officers	=	1876/02/15						
4	1	executive branch officers	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-e, 3:49-f, 3:49-g (1988), 3:50c, 3:61 (1954), 4:23, 7:4, 7:11b, 7:17, 7:18, 15:2, and 16:70 in addition to 4:1.
4	2	election of executive branch officers	=	1876/02/15						
4	3	election returns, tie votes, and contests	=	1876/02/15						

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4	3a	succession to the office of governor	+	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 7	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	4	Adopted	80.8%	Providing for succession to the office of governor for instances in which the governor-elect has died, becomes disabled, or fails to qualify. The lieutenant governor's succession in the case of a vacancy is treated in 4:16.
4	3a	succession to the office of governor	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 44	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	1	Adopted	74.1%	Providing for the forfeiture of the lieutenant governor's office by a lieutenant governor-elect who succeeds to the governor's office under certain conditions and for the succession to the office of the governor for instances in which the governor-elect is temporarily unable to take office. Same ballot proposition amended 3:9, 4:16, 4:17, and 4:18.
4	4	gubernatorial inauguration, term of office, and eligibility requirements	=	1876/02/15						
4	4	gubernatorial inauguration, term of office, and eligibility requirements	Δ	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 14	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	4	Failed	44.8%	Increasing the term of office for governor from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 4:22 and 4:23.
4	4	gubernatorial inauguration, term of office, and eligibility requirements	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 1	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	8	Adopted	55.7%	Increasing the term of office for governor from two to four years. There was no 4:16 amendment, but since the lieutenant governor is elected at the same time as the governor, the amendment established a four-year term for the lieutenant governor also. Same ballot proposition amended 4:22 and 4:23.
4	5	compensation of governor	=	1876/02/15						
4	5	compensation of governor	Δ	1908/11/03	S.J.R. 19	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	29.7%	Raising the original annual salary from \$4,000 to \$8,000. Same ballot proposition amended 4:17.
4	5	compensation of governor	Δ	1919/05/24	S.J.R. 13	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	35.9%	Raising the original annual salary to \$10,000.
4	5	compensation of governor	Δ	1921/07/23	S.J.R. 4	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	27.4%	Raising the original annual salary to \$8,000. Same ballot proposition amended 4:21, 4:22, and 4:23. A separate S.J.R. 4 ballot proposition amended 3:24.
4	5	compensation of governor	Δ	1929/07/16	H.J.R. 7	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Failed	39.5%	Raising the original annual salary to \$10,000.
4	5	compensation of governor	Δ	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 14	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	5	Adopted	54.3%	Raising the original annual salary from \$4,000 to \$12,000. Same ballot proposition amended 4:21, 4:22, and 4:23.
4	5	compensation of governor	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 5	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	5	Adopted	61.4%	Permitting the legislature to fix the salary. Same ballot proposition included new 3:61 and amended 3:24, 4:21, 4:22, and 4:23.

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4	6	prohibition on governor's dual office holding, practice of another profession, or compensation for other service	=	1876/02/15						
4	7	governor as commander-in-chief	=	1876/02/15						
4	7	governor as commander-in-chief	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
4	8	governor's calling of legislative special sessions	=	1876/02/15						
4	8	governor's calling of legislative special sessions	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 45	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	6	Adopted	62.2%	Requiring the governor to call a special session of the legislature for the appointment of presidential electors under certain circumstances.
4	9	gubernatorial messages and recommendations	=	1876/02/15						
4	10	governor's faithful execution of laws and conduct of business with other states and United States	=	1876/02/15						
4	11	paroles, pardons, reprieves, and commutations	=	1876/02/15						
4	11	paroles, pardons, reprieves, and commutations	Δ	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 26	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	4	Adopted	71.5%	Creating a Board of Pardons and Paroles and granting the governor in certain criminal cases, after conviction, the power to grant reprieves, commutations of punishment, and pardons on the board's written recommendation.
4	11	paroles, pardons, reprieves, and commutations	Δ	1983/11/08	S.J.R. 13	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	11	Adopted	68.0%	Making the Board of Pardons and Paroles a statutory body.
4	11	paroles, pardons, reprieves, and commutations	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 4	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	10	Adopted	79.0%	Authorizing the legislature to enact laws requiring or permitting a court to provide jury instructions on good time and eligibility for parole and mandatory supervision.
4	11	paroles, pardons, reprieves, and commutations	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 9	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	9	Adopted	57.3%	Expanding the authority of the governor to grant reprieves, commutations, and pardons to include the granting of a reprieve, commutation, or pardon on successful completion of a term of deferred adjudication community supervision.
4	11A	the courts' suspension of sentence and placement of a defendant on probation	+	1935/08/24	H.J.R. 46	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Adopted	53.1%	Granting courts with original jurisdiction over criminal matters the power to suspend a sentence upon conviction and place a defendant on probation.

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4	11B	organization and combination of criminal justice agencies	+	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 101	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	9	Adopted	70.7%	Authorizing the legislature to undertake such organization and combination.
4	12	vacancies in state or district offices and associated gubernatorial appointment and senate confirmation procedures	=	1876/02/15						
4	12	vacancies in state or district offices and associated gubernatorial appointment and senate confirmation procedures	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 53	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	22	Adopted	61.5%	Authorizing a limitation on the term served by a person appointed by the governor to fill a vacancy if the governor is not reelected.
4	12	vacancies in state or district offices and associated gubernatorial appointment and senate confirmation procedures	Δ	1990/11/06	S.J.R. 2	71st Leg., 6th C.S., 1990	1	Adopted	65.5%	Clarifying the manner of senate advice and consent for recess appointments.
4	13	residence of governor	=	1876/02/15						
4	14	governor's approval or disapproval of bills and appropriations items (veto power)	=	1876/02/15						
4	14a	governor's power to exercise fiscal control over expenditures of constitutionally undedicated appropriations	+	1980/11/04	H.J.R. 86	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	5	Failed	44.1%	
4	14a	state finance management committee for the management of the expenditure of constitutionally undedicated appropriations	+	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 38	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	3	Failed	38.2%	

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4	15	governor's approval or disapproval of resolutions, votes, and orders requiring concurrent action of the senate and house of representatives	=	1876/02/15						
4	16	lieutenant governor	=	1876/02/15						See the 1972 amendment to 4:4.
4	16	lieutenant governor	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 44	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	1	Adopted	74.1%	Distinguishing between a lieutenant governor who becomes governor in the case of a permanent vacancy in the governor's office and a lieutenant governor who exercises the powers and authority of the governor in the case of a temporary vacancy in that office. Same ballot proposition amended 3:9, 4:3a, 4:17, and 4:18.
4	16	lieutenant governor	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing for the same compensation and mileage reimbursement for the lieutenant governor as for senators. See 3:24.
4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	Δ	1908/11/03	S.J.R. 19	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	29.7%	Providing for an annual salary of \$2,500 for the lieutenant governor. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5. The lieutenant governor's compensation increased subsequently, indirectly, via 1930, 1954, and 1960 amendments to 3:24 increasing the compensation for senators. (See original 4:17 (1876) provisions tying the lieutenant governor's compensation to that of senators.)
4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	Δ	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 8	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	9	Failed	43.6%	Authorizing the legislature to set the lieutenant governor's salary. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24, with a redundant provision relating to the setting of the lieutenant governor's salary by the legislature.
4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	Δ	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 95	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	11	Failed	35.2%	Removing provisions relating to the lieutenant governor's compensation while acting as the president of the senate. Same ballot proposition included new 3:24a with replacement salary provision. The lieutenant governor's salary subsequently increased via a 1975 amendment to 3:24 increasing the salary of senators.

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4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 102	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	1	Failed	36.7%	Setting the lieutenant governor's salary at half that of the governor. The same failed ballot proposition included salary amendments to 3:24, though without effect on the lieutenant governor. Another failed ballot proposition from the same joint resolution included per diem amendments to 3:24 affecting senators, hence also the lieutenant governor.
4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 8	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	6	Adopted	53.5%	Allowing a higher salary for the lieutenant governor if recommended by the Texas Ethics Commission and approved by voters. Same ballot proposition amended 3:24 and included new 3:24a, both providing for the commission's setting of the lieutenant governor's per diem.
4	17	succession role of the president pro tempore of the senate and compensation of the lieutenant governor and president pro tempore	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 44	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	1	Adopted	74.1%	Clarifying the succession of the senate president pro tempore in the case of simultaneous temporary vacancies in the governor's office and the lieutenant governor's office. Same ballot proposition amended 3:9, 4:3a, 4:16, and 4:18.
4	18	restrictions and inhibitions applicable to lieutenant governor and president pro tempore of the senate	=	1876/02/15						Originally applicable to a lieutenant governor or a senate president who succeeded a governor.
4	18	restrictions and inhibitions applicable to lieutenant governor and president pro tempore of the senate	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 44	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	1	Adopted	74.1%	Clarifying the restrictions and inhibitions applicable to a lieutenant governor or senate president pro tempore who temporarily exercises the powers and authority of the governor. Same ballot proposition amended 3:9, 4:3a, 4:16, and 4:17.
4	19	seal of state	=	1876/02/15						
4	20	commissions	=	1876/02/15						
4	21	secretary of state	=	1876/02/15						
4	21	secretary of state	Δ	1921/07/23	S.J.R. 4	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	27.4%	Increasing the original annual salary from \$2,000 to \$5,000. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:22, and 4:23. A separate S.J.R. 4 ballot proposition amended 3:24.
4	21	secretary of state	Δ	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 14	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	5	Adopted	54.3%	Increasing the original annual salary from \$2,000 to \$6,000. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:22, and 4:23.
4	21	secretary of state	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 5	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	5	Adopted	61.4%	Permitting the legislature to set the salary. Same ballot proposition included new 3:61 and amended 3:24, 4:5, 4:22, and 4:23.
4	22	attorney general	=	1876/02/15						

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4	22	attorney general	Δ	1921/07/23	S.J.R. 4	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	27.4%	Increasing the original annual salary from a maximum of \$4,000, including fees, to a flat \$7,500. Removing the requirement that the attorney general reside at the seat of government. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:21, and 4:23. A separate S.J.R. 4 ballot proposition amended 3:24.
4	22	attorney general	Δ	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 14	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	5	Adopted	54.3%	Increasing the original annual salary from a maximum of \$4,000, including fees, to a flat \$10,000. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:21, and 4:23.
4	22	attorney general	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 5	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	5	Adopted	61.4%	Permitting the legislature to set the salary. Same ballot proposition included new 3:61 and amended 3:24, 4:5, 4:21, and 4:23.
4	22	attorney general	Δ	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 14	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	4	Failed	44.8%	Increasing the term of office for attorney general from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 4:4 and 4:23.
4	22	attorney general	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 1	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	8	Adopted	55.7%	Increasing the term of office for attorney general from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 4:4 and 4:23.
4	22	attorney general	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Deleting provisions relating to residence, salary, and four-year term, which were incorporated in 4:23 by the same ballot proposition. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	=	1876/02/15						Originally pertaining to the comptroller of public accounts, the state treasurer, and the commissioner of the general land office. Establishing two-year terms, annual salaries of \$2,500, and a state capital residency requirement.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1921/07/23	S.J.R. 4	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	27.4%	Increasing the original annual salaries from \$2,500 to \$5,000 each. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:21, and 4:22. A separate S.J.R. 4 ballot proposition amended 3:24.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 14	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	5	Adopted	54.3%	Increasing the original annual salaries from \$2,500 to \$6,000 each. Same ballot proposition amended 4:5, 4:21, and 4:22.

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4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 5	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	5	Adopted	61.4%	Permitting the legislature to set the salaries. Same ballot proposition included new 3:61 and amended 3:24, 4:5, 4:21, and 4:22.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 14	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	4	Failed	44.8%	Adding elected statutory officers and increasing the terms of office from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 4:4 and 4:22.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 1	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	8	Adopted	55.7%	Adding elected statutory officers and increasing the terms of office from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 4:4 and 4:22.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Adding the attorney general and applying to the attorney general the residence, salary, and four-year term provisions formerly found in 4:22. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.

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4	23	comptroller of public accounts, land commissioner, attorney general, elected statutory officers, and salary and four-year term provisions relating to those officers	Δ	2015/11/03	S.J.R. 52	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	3	Adopted	66.1%	Removing the state capital residency requirement.
4	24	executive branch accounts, reports, information requests, and records inspections	=	1876/02/15						
4	25	custodianship of public funds	=	1876/02/15						
4	26	notaries public	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing for the appointment of notaries for each county by the governor, with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the senate.
4	26	notaries public	Δ	1940/11/05	S.J.R. 6	46th Leg., R.S., 1939	-	Adopted	67.1%	Transferring appointment of notaries from the governor to the secretary of state and requiring the qualifications of notaries to be prescribed by law.
4	26	notaries public	Δ	1979/11/06	H.J.R. 108	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	1	Adopted	65.5%	Providing for the appointment of notaries for the state, rather than for each county, and providing for terms of office of two to four years.
4	27	agriculture commissioner	+	1907/08/06	S.J.R. 13	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	24.5%	
4	1975 revision	constitutional revision: executive branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 4 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3140. Same ballot proposition provided for the adoption of replacement Articles 2 and 3.
4	1975 revision	constitutional revision: executive branch	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision amending 4:11 and deleting 4:11A if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3156. If Proposition 1 succeeded but Proposition 2 failed, Proposition 1 moved 4:11A to existing Article 5. See session laws, p. 3148.
4	1975 revision	constitutional revision: executive branch	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, deleting 4:25. See session laws, p. 3193. Proposition 1 included a contingent provision retaining and incorporating the section in new Article 4 if Proposition 7 failed. See session laws, p. 3148. Including a contingent provision adding a section (railroad commission) to existing Article 4 if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3194.

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5	1	vesting of judicial power	=	1876/02/15						
5	1	vesting of judicial power	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Simplifying the section. Part of general reorganization of judiciary article.
5	1	vesting of judicial power	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Making conforming changes relating to the appellate court reorganization in 5:4-5:6. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:3, 5:4, 5:5, 5:6, 5:7, 5:8, 5:11, 5:12, 5:16, 5:25, and 5:28 as well as 5:1.
5	1	vesting of judicial power	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 18	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	1	Adopted	73.1%	Deleting language specific to Galveston and Harris Counties. Same ballot proposition amended 5:4 and 5:5.
5	1	vesting of judicial power	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 36	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	8	Adopted	57.2%	Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:16. Conforming change relating to the 5:6 amendment redesignating the courts of civil appeals as courts of appeals with criminal as well as civil jurisdiction.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	+	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 39	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	8	Adopted	54.6%	Establishing provisions relating to retirement, compensation, and reassignment of appellate and district judges.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	1965/11/02	H.J.R. 57	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	8	Adopted	72.6%	Establishing a mandatory retirement age for appellate and district judges. Creating a State Judicial Qualifications Commission and establishing procedures through which an appellate or district judge may be removed or involuntarily retired on the basis of misconduct or disability.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	1970/11/03	H.J.R. 30	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	71.6%	Expanding the scope of the State Judicial Qualifications Commission's disciplinary authority to all judges and justices and expanding the types of sanctions that may be assessed by the commission.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 30	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	7	Adopted	66.2%	Renaming the State Judicial Qualifications Commission as the State Commission on Judicial Conduct and revising provisions relating to the commission's powers, proceedings, and membership.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 4	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	7	Adopted	77.0%	Expanding the types of conduct that may be the basis for a complaint and the types of sanctions that may be assessed by the commission. Revising provisions relating to the commission's membership and procedures.

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5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	2005/11/08	H.J.R. 87	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	6	Adopted	62.6%	Adding one additional public member and one constitutional county court judge to the commission membership.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 36	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	14	Adopted	75.0%	Permitting term completion by certain state justices or judges who reach the mandatory retirement age while in office.
5	1-a	State Commission on Judicial Conduct and retirement, censure, removal, and compensation of justices and judges	Δ	2013/11/05	S.J.R. 42	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	9	Adopted	84.7%	Expanding the types of sanctions that may be assessed against a judge or justice following a formal proceeding instituted by the commission.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	=	1876/02/15						
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 6	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	35.5%	Enlarging the court from three to seven members, with authority to organize into two divisions. Increasing the annual salary from \$3,550 to \$3,600. Part of revisions to judiciary article. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 5:3, 5:5, 5:6, 5:8, and 5:17.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Supreme court organizational matters covered by 5:2, 5:3, 5:4, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:33 in the 1887 ballot proposition.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Increasing the annual salary from \$3,550 to \$4,000. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1915/07/24	S.J.R. 3	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	23.8%	Enlarging the court from three to five members. Increasing the annual salary from \$4,000 to \$5,000.

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5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 24	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	14.6%	Enlarging the court from three to nine members and providing for compensation as set by law. Same ballot proposition amended 5:3, 5:4, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:7.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1929/07/16	H.J.R. 6	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Failed	39.2%	Enlarging the court from three to nine members and providing for compensation as set by law. Same ballot proposition amended 5:3.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1945/08/25	S.J.R. 8	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	53.7%	Enlarging the court from three to nine members, allowing the court to sit in sections, and providing for compensation as set by law. Revising the qualifications for service as a justice.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 36	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	8	Adopted	57.2%	Referring to members other than the chief justice as “justices” rather than “associate justices.” Same ballot proposition amended 5:1, 5:3, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:16.
5	2	supreme court: justices, sections, eligibility, and election	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, removing provisions relating to vacancies, which are covered by 5:28. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	=	1876/02/15						Originally included provisions relating to the terms of court, which were moved to 5:3a in 1930.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 6	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	35.5%	Changes relating to jurisdiction and the issue of writs. Part of revisions to judiciary article. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 5:2, 5:5, 5:6, 5:8, and 5:17.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Supreme court powers and jurisdiction covered by 5:7, 5:11, 5:12, 5:13, and 5:14, and court terms covered by 5:10, in the 1887 ballot proposition.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Revising the court's writ power and jurisdiction and adding clerk provisions, which were moved from 5:4. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 24	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	14.6%	Revising the court's writ power and jurisdiction and removing the specification of an October-June term. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:4, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:7.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1929/07/16	H.J.R. 6	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Failed	39.2%	Removing the specification of an October-June term and requiring the court to be open at all times. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1930/11/04	S.J.R. 2	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Adopted	66.9%	Repealing the requirement for the court to sit from the first Monday in October until the last Saturday in June of the following year. Same ballot proposition added 5:3a, which allowed the court to sit at any time for the transaction of business.
5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 36	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	8	Adopted	57.2%	Revising the court's appellate jurisdiction. Same ballot proposition amended 5:1, 5:2, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:16.

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5	3	supreme court: jurisdiction and writs	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving provisions relating to the clerk to 5:5a. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	3a	supreme court sessions	+	1930/11/04	S.J.R. 2	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Adopted	66.9%	Allowing the court to sit at any time at the seat of government for the transaction of business. Same ballot proposition repealed language in 5:3 specifying an October-June term for the court.
5	3a	supreme court sessions	Δ	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 19	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	5	Adopted	59.2%	Authorizing the supreme court to transact business at any location in the state.
5	3a	supreme court sessions	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Substance moved to 5:5b. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	3-b	direct appeals to the supreme court from trial court orders granting or denying injunctions on grounds involving the constitutionality or validity of certain laws and administrative orders	+	1940/11/05	S.J.R. 4	46th Leg., R.S., 1939	-	Adopted	70.1%	Granting the legislature the power to provide by law for such direct appeals.
5	3-c	supreme court and court of criminal appeals jurisdiction to answer questions of state law certified from federal appellate court	+	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 10	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	12	Adopted	73.0%	
5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	=	1876/02/15						The original section (moved to 5:3 in 1891) related to the clerk of the supreme court.
5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Provisions relating to clerk of the supreme court moved to 5:9 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Creating the court of criminal appeals. Previous provisions relating to the clerk of the supreme court moved to 5:3. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	Δ	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 24	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	14.6%	Allowing the legislature to enlarge the court from three to five members and removing language relating to vacancies, which are covered by 5:28. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:7.
5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	Δ	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 26	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	9	Adopted	65.9%	Enlarging the court from three to five members. Same ballot proposition amended 5:5.

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5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 18	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	1	Adopted	73.1%	Enlarging the court from five to nine members. Authorizing the court to sit in panels, except in certain cases, and authorizing the appointment of commissioners in aid of the court. Same ballot proposition amended 5:1 and 5:5.
5	4	court of criminal appeals: judges	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, removing provisions relating to vacancies, which are covered by 5:28. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	=	1876/02/15						Originally, both 5:5 and 5:6 dealt with a court of appeals having criminal and civil appellate jurisdiction. (The 1891 amendment devoted 5:4 and 5:5 to the new court of criminal appeals and 5:6 to courts of appeals having intermediate civil appellate jurisdiction.)
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 6	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	35.5%	Providing for vacancies in the court of appeals. Increasing the annual salary from \$3,550 to \$3,600. Part of revisions to judiciary article. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 5:2, 5:3, 5:6, 5:8, and 5:17.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Organizational matters relating to the court of appeals covered by 5:15 and 5:16 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Substituting provisions relating to the court of criminal appeals. See comments on 5:4 (1891) and 1876 comments on this section. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 24	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	14.6%	Removing the specification of an October-June term. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:3, 5:4, 5:6, and 5:7.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 26	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	9	Adopted	65.9%	Relating to the term of the court and the location of its sessions. Same ballot proposition amended 5:4.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 18	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	1	Adopted	73.1%	Revising the term of the court to allow it to sit at any time. Same ballot proposition amended 5:1 and 5:4.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 36	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	8	Adopted	57.2%	Adding provisions relating to jurisdictional changes, appellate powers in death penalty cases, and discretionary review of other criminal cases. Same ballot proposition amended 5:1, 5:2, 5:3, 5:6, and 5:16.
5	5	court of criminal appeals: jurisdiction	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving provisions relating to clerk and court terms to 5:5a and 5:5b, respectively. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	5a	supreme court, court of criminal appeals, and courts of appeals: clerk of court and clerk's term of office	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Substance previously covered by 5:3, 5:5, and 5:6. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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5	5b	supreme court and court of criminal appeals: location and court term	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Substance previously covered by 5:3a and 5:5. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	6	courts of appeals	=	1876/02/15						Originally, both 5:5 and 5:6 dealt with a court of appeals having criminal and civil appellate jurisdiction. (The 1891 amendment devoted 5:4 and 5:5 to the new court of criminal appeals and 5:6 to courts of civil appeals having intermediate civil appellate jurisdiction.)
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 6	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	35.5%	Adding provisions relating to the clerk of the court of appeals. Part of revisions to judiciary article. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, 5:8, and 5:17.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Powers and jurisdiction of the court of appeals covered by 5:16 and 5:17, court terms are covered by 5:16, and clerks are covered by 5:18 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Creating the courts of civil appeals with intermediate civil appellate jurisdiction. See comments on 5:6 (1876). Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 24	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	14.6%	Increasing the number of supreme judicial districts to a maximum of 12. Other organizational and jurisdictional changes. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:3, 5:4, 5:5, and 5:7.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1978/11/07	S.J.R. 45	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	6	Adopted	62.9%	Allowing the legislature to establish courts of civil appeals with more than two associate justices. Permitting courts of civil appeals to sit in sections.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 36	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	8	Adopted	57.2%	Providing the courts both civil and criminal jurisdiction and redesignating them appropriately as courts of appeals. Same ballot proposition amended 5:1, 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, and 5:16.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Replacing supreme judicial districts with courts of appeals districts. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	6	courts of appeals	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving provisions relating to the court clerk to 5:5a. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	7	judicial districts and district judges	=	1876/02/15						
5	7	judicial districts and district judges	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Organizational matters pertaining to judicial districts and district courts covered by 5:19, 5:20, 5:21, 5:22, 5:26, and 5:30 in 1887 ballot proposition.

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5	7	judicial districts and district judges	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Relating to the number of judicial districts and judge salary and qualifications. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	7	judicial districts and district judges	Δ	1913/07/19	S.J.R. 11	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	18.4%	Authorizing more than one judge per judicial district. Changes relating to qualifications and court terms. Increasing the annual salary from \$2,500 to \$3,000.
5	7	judicial districts and district judges	Δ	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 24	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	14.6%	Providing for compensation as set by law. Allowing the supreme court or chief justice to assign district judges to districts other than those from which they were elected. Same ballot proposition amended 5:2, 5:3, 5:4, 5:5, and 5:6.
5	7	judicial districts and district judges	Δ	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 22	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	7	Adopted	54.6%	Providing for compensation as fixed by the legislature and also relating to the place at which a court conducts its proceedings. H.J.R. 22 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
5	7	judicial districts and district judges	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Allowing more than one judge per judicial district and making changes relating to court terms. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	7a	Judicial Districts Board and reapportionment of judicial districts	+	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Creating the Judicial Districts Board to reapportion the judicial districts authorized by 5:7. Same ballot proposition included a new 5:31 as well as 5:7a and deleted 5:14, 5:16a, 5:22, and 5:25. The proposition amended 5:6, 5:7, 5:8, 5:16, 5:17, and 5:19.
5	8	district court jurisdiction	=	1876/02/15						
5	8	district court jurisdiction	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 6	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	35.5%	Relating to jurisdictional changes. Part of revisions to judiciary article. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:17.
5	8	district court jurisdiction	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. District court powers and jurisdiction covered by 5:23, 5:24, and 5:25 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	8	district court jurisdiction	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Expanding district court jurisdiction. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	8	district court jurisdiction	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 26	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	6	Adopted	56.3%	Granting district courts concurrent probate jurisdiction with county courts, but also authorizing the legislature to increase, diminish, or eliminate a district or county court's probate jurisdiction.
5	8	district court jurisdiction	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Redefining district court jurisdiction. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	9	clerk of district court	=	1876/02/15						

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5	9	clerk of district court	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. District clerk provisions moved to 5:27 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	9	clerk of district court	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing term length from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
5	9	clerk of district court	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
5	10	right of trial by jury	=	1876/02/15						See also 1:15.
5	10	right of trial by jury	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. No comparable provision in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	11	disqualification of judges and authorization to exchange districts or to hold court for other judges	=	1876/02/15						
5	11	disqualification of judges and authorization to exchange districts or to hold court for other judges	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Disqualification provisions moved to 5:35 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	11	disqualification of judges and authorization to exchange districts or to hold court for other judges	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Making conforming changes relating to the appellate court reorganization in 5:4-5:6. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	11	disqualification of judges and authorization to exchange districts or to hold court for other judges	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	12	indictments and information; judges as conservators of the peace	=	1876/02/15						
5	12	indictments and information; judges as conservators of the peace	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. No comparable provision in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	12	indictments and information; judges as conservators of the peace	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Providing that all judges of the state courts are conservators of the peace. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.

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5	12	indictments and information; judges as conservators of the peace	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 16	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	11	Adopted	68.5%	Refining methods of instituting criminal prosecutions.
5	13	district court juries	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing for grand and petit juries of 12 men and allowing nine of the 12 to render a verdict in a civil case or in a misdemeanor criminal case. The 1954 amendment of 16:19 required women to serve as jurors.
5	13	district court juries	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. District court jury organization moved to 5:32 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	13	district court juries	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	13	district court juries	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 44	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	7	Adopted	74.7%	Requiring a six-person petit jury in a district court misdemeanor trial.
5	14	fixing of judicial districts and the time of holding court	=	1876/02/15						
5	14	fixing of judicial districts and the time of holding court	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Subject matter covered by 5:30 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	14	fixing of judicial districts and the time of holding court	-	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	14	juror qualifications	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Provisions were derived from portions of 16:2 and 16:19. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	15	establishment of county courts and election of county judges	=	1876/02/15						
5	15	establishment of county courts and election of county judges	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	15	establishment of county courts and election of county judges	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing a judge's term length from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
5	16	county courts: jurisdiction and disqualification of judges	=	1876/02/15						

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5	16	county courts: jurisdiction and disqualification of judges	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	16	county courts: jurisdiction and disqualification of judges	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Relating to appeals. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	16	county courts: jurisdiction and disqualification of judges	Δ	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 37	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	5	Adopted	55.7%	Relating to concurrent jurisdiction, in certain civil cases, between county courts and justice courts. Same ballot proposition amended 5:19.
5	16	county courts: jurisdiction and disqualification of judges	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 36	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	8	Adopted	57.2%	Making a conforming change relating to the extension, to the intermediate appeals courts, of criminal as well as civil jurisdiction. Same ballot proposition amended 5:1, 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, and 5:6.
5	16	county courts: jurisdiction and disqualification of judges	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Removing language specifying county court jurisdiction and instead authorizing the legislature to provide for county court jurisdiction by law. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	16a	assignment of judges of certain courts with probate jurisdiction	+	1983/11/08	H.J.R. 70	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	9	Adopted	68.6%	
5	16a	assignment of judges of certain courts with probate jurisdiction	-	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	17	county courts: terms, prosecutions, and juries	=	1876/02/15						See also 5:29.
5	17	county courts: terms, prosecutions, and juries	Δ	1881/09/06	J.R. 6	17th Leg., R.S., 1881	-	Failed	35.5%	Reducing the number of terms held annually by county courts. Part of revisions to judiciary article. Same ballot proposition included amendments to 5:2, 5:3, 5:5, 5:6, and 5:8.
5	17	county courts: terms, prosecutions, and juries	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	17	county courts: terms, prosecutions, and juries	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Requiring county courts to hold terms as provided by law. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	17	county courts: terms, prosecutions, and juries	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	=	1876/02/15						
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1908/11/03	S.J.R. 5	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	48.2%	Increasing from 8 to 12 the maximum number of justice precincts per county, and relating to the redivision of county commissioner precincts.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing term lengths from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1983/11/08	H.J.R. 91	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	1	Adopted	76.9%	Reducing the number of required justice precincts for counties under 30,000 in population.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 27	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	7	Adopted	64.3%	Relating to the number of justice precincts in Chambers County.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 6	70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987	16	Adopted	66.3%	Allowing more than one justice of the peace court in certain justice precincts.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 80	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	8	Adopted	76.6%	Abolishing the office of constable in Mills, Reagan, and Roberts Counties.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 83	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	14	Adopted	78.0%	Authorizing the legislature to prescribe constable qualifications by law.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 71	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	16	Adopted	64.1%	Revising the limits on the number of justice precincts in each county.
5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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5	18	county precincts, county commissioners, constables, and justices of the peace	Δ	2002/11/05	H.J.R. 2	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	1	Adopted	79.2%	Authorizing the commissioners court of a county to declare the office of constable in a precinct dormant if the office has not been filled by election or appointment for at least seven consecutive years since the term of the last officeholder ended. Providing a procedure for the reinstatement of the office.
5	19	justices of the peace: jurisdiction and service as ex officio notaries public	=	1876/02/15						
5	19	justices of the peace: jurisdiction and service as ex officio notaries public	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	19	justices of the peace: jurisdiction and service as ex officio notaries public	Δ	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 37	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	5	Adopted	55.7%	Relating to concurrent jurisdiction, in certain civil cases, between justices of the peace and county courts. Same ballot proposition amended 5:16.
5	19	justices of the peace: jurisdiction and service as ex officio notaries public	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Redefining the jurisdiction of justice of the peace courts. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	20	county clerks	=	1876/02/15						
5	20	county clerks	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	20	county clerks	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing term length from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
5	21	county and district attorneys	=	1876/02/15						
5	21	county and district attorneys	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Subject matter covered by 5:29 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	21	county and district attorneys	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Providing for four-year terms for both district and county attorneys. Removing specification of a district attorney's state salary. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
5	22	legislative power to change the jurisdiction of county courts	=	1876/02/15						

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5	22	legislative power to change the jurisdiction of county courts	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	22	legislative power to change the jurisdiction of county courts	-	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	22-a	legislative power to create new courts in counties exceeding 200,000 population	+	1942/11/03	H.J.R. 24	47th Leg., R.S., 1941	-	Failed	42.3%	
5	23	sheriffs	=	1876/02/15						
5	23	sheriffs	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Sheriff provisions moved to 5:28 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	23	sheriffs	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing term length from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
5	23	sheriffs	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 18	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	5	Adopted	59.0%	Authorizing the legislature to prescribe by law the qualifications of sheriff.
5	24	removal of county officers	=	1876/02/15						
5	24	removal of county officers	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	25	rules of court	=	1876/02/15						
5	25	rules of court	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Rulemaking provisions moved to 5:8 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	25	rules of court	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Providing that the supreme court's rulemaking not be inconsistent with state law. Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	25	rules of court	-	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition. Supreme court rulemaking moved to 5:31.
5	26	appeals by state in criminal cases	=	1876/02/15						Originally precluding appeal by the state in criminal cases.
5	26	appeals by state in criminal cases	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. No comparable provision in 1887 ballot proposition.

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5	26	appeals by state in criminal cases	Δ	1980/11/04	H.J.R. 97	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	2	Failed	47.8%	Granting the state a limited right of appeal.
5	26	appeals by state in criminal cases	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 34	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	14	Adopted	67.9%	Granting the state a right of appeal as authorized by general law.
5	27	transfer of cases pending at adoption of constitution	=	1876/02/15						
5	27	transfer of cases pending at adoption of constitution	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. No comparable provision in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	27	transfer of cases pending at adoption of constitution	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	28	vacancies in judicial offices	=	1876/02/15						
5	28	vacancies in judicial offices	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Judicial vacancies covered by 5:33 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	28	vacancies in judicial offices	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 16	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	51.2%	Part of extensive revision of judiciary article. Making conforming changes relating to the appellate court reorganization in 5:4-5:6. Same ballot proposition amended numerous sections. See comments on 5:1 (1891) for list.
5	28	vacancies in judicial offices	Δ	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 30	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	3	Adopted	71.4%	Relating to the duration of appointments to fill vacancies.
5	28	vacancies in judicial offices	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
5	29	county courts: terms, probate business, commencement of prosecutions, and juries	+	1883/08/14	J.R. 6	18th Leg., R.S., 1883	-	Adopted	63.7%	Including a requirement for a county court to hold at least four terms per year for both civil and criminal business as provided by law and other terms as fixed by the county commissioners court. Similar subject matter was covered by 5:17, which required a county court to hold more frequent terms, but the amendment did not repeal that section.
5	29	county courts: terms, probate business, commencement of prosecutions, and juries	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Detail on the organization of county courts and other inferior courts (5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29) collapsed into 5:34 in 1887 ballot proposition.
5	29	county courts: terms, probate business, commencement of prosecutions, and juries	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, removing provisions relating to prosecutions and juries, which are covered by 5:17. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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5	30	continuation of existing judicial districts and time of holding courts, pending new law	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Subject matter covered previously in 5:14.
5	30	four-year terms for criminal district attorneys and for judges of all courts of countywide jurisdiction	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Setting four-year terms for the specified offices. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 16:64 and 16:65.
5	31	criminal district courts in Galveston and Harris Counties	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Subject matter covered previously in 5:1.
5	31	court administration, rulemaking authority, and action on motion for rehearing	+	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 14	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	13	Adopted	57.9%	Specifying the supreme court's responsibility for the administration of the judicial branch and the requirement for the court to promulgate rules for the efficient and uniform administration of justice in the various courts, including the promulgation of rules of civil procedure. Supreme court rulemaking covered previously in 5:25. See 5:7a comments for list of sections affected by the same ballot proposition.
5	31	court administration, rulemaking authority, and action on motion for rehearing	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 55	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	12	Adopted	77.2%	Establishing a deadline for supreme court action on a motion for rehearing.
5	32	grand and petit juries	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Grand and petit juries covered previously in 5:13.
5	32	authorizing legislative creation of a judicial compensation commission	+	1999/11/02	S.J.R. 10	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	9	Failed	40.9%	
5	32	legal challenges to constitutionality of state statutes	+	2017/11/07	S.J.R. 6	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	4	Adopted	64.9%	
5	33	vacancies: supreme court, court of appeals, district courts	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Judicial vacancies covered previously in 5:28, and supreme court vacancies were also covered previously in 5:2.
5	34	county courts and other inferior courts	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. County courts and other inferior courts covered previously in 5:15, 5:16, 5:17, 5:18, 5:19, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, and 5:29.

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5	35	disqualification of judges and authorization to exchange districts or hold court for other judges	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Disqualification covered previously in 5:11.
5	36	removals and vacancies, county and district offices	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. Removals covered previously in 5:24. County attorney vacancies covered previously in 5:21. Sheriff vacancies covered previously in 5:23. County judge and justice of the peace vacancies covered previously in 5:28.
5	37	prohibition against legislative creation of inferior courts having certain types of jurisdiction	+	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 26 (J.R. 7)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	29.5%	Part of general reorganization of judiciary article. No comparable provision previously.
5	1975 revision	constitutional revision: judiciary	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 5 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3149. Including contingent provisions amending new 5:5 (circuit courts) and new 5:6 (other courts) if Proposition 1 succeeded. See session laws, pp. 3159-3160.
5	1975 revision	constitutional revision: judiciary	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of 5:23. See session laws, p. 3185. Including contingent provisions amending 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, and 5:24 if Proposition 2 failed. See session laws, p. 3186.
6	1	ineligible voters	=	1876/02/15						See also 16:2.
6	1	ineligible voters	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 1	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	63.3%	Allowing Texas national guard members, reservists, and retired military personnel to vote. Same ballot proposition amended 16:33 and 16:40.
6	1	ineligible voters	Δ	1954/11/02	H.J.R. 10	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	10	Adopted	77.4%	Removing the absolute suffrage disqualification for U.S. military personnel. See 1954 amendment to 6:2, however. Same ballot proposition included the 6:2 amendment and repealed 6:2a (1945).
6	1	ineligible voters	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Changing reference to minimum voting age from 21 to 18 in conformity with the 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution (1971). Deleting language rendering county-supported paupers ineligible. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
6	1	ineligible voters	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving from 16:2 the exclusions from suffrage based on certain crimes. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	=	1876/02/15						
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1896/11/03	H.J.R. 32	24th Leg., R.S., 1895	-	Adopted	83.9%	Changing suffrage requirements for noncitizen males of foreign birth.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1902/11/04	S.J.R. 3	27th Leg., R.S., 1901	-	Adopted	65.1%	Making the payment of any applicable poll tax a prerequisite for voting.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 1	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	31.9%	Limiting voting rights to native or naturalized citizens and providing for voting outside one's place of residence for certain elections.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1919/05/24	S.J.R. 7	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	45.9%	Women's suffrage. Five weeks after the amendment election, the 36th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, 1919, ratified the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, granting women's suffrage.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1921/07/23	S.J.R. 1	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Adopted	51.7%	Limiting voting rights to native or naturalized citizens and incorporating women's suffrage changes in conformity to the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution (1920). Authorizing absentee voting.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1949/11/08	S.J.R. 1	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	4	Failed	43.7%	Repealing the poll tax as a voting prerequisite and requiring voter registration. S.J.R. 1 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1954/11/02	H.J.R. 10	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	10	Adopted	77.4%	Restricting voting eligibility for U.S. military personnel to those who were Texas residents before entering the service. Same ballot proposition amended 6:1 and repealed 6:2a (1945).
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 1	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	1	Failed	43.4%	Repealing the poll tax as a voting prerequisite and authorizing the legislature to provide for voter registration. Same ballot proposition amended 6:4.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 13	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	7	Adopted	58.6%	Repealing the poll tax as a voting prerequisite. The same ballot proposition amended 6:4 by requiring the legislature to provide for the registration of all voters.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 38	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	14	Adopted	81.9%	Allowing U.S. military personnel to vote in Texas on satisfaction of residency requirements applicable to Texans generally.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Changing reference to minimum voting age from 21 to 18 in conformity with the 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution (1971). Eliminating specifications on residence length. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.

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6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Deleting age 18 reference as duplicative of 6:1. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
6	2	qualified voters, voter registration, and absentee voting	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, including a move from 16:2 of provisions relating to the protection of suffrage. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
6	2a	waiver, during wartime or for a specified postwar interval, of poll tax payment by military personnel	+	1945/08/25	S.J.R. 7	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	-	Adopted	78.8%	
6	2a	waiver, during wartime or for a specified postwar interval, of poll tax payment by military personnel	-	1954/11/02	H.J.R. 10	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	10	Adopted	77.4%	Same ballot proposition amended 6:1 and 6:2.
6	2a	residency requirement exceptions for voting in presidential and vice presidential elections and elections for statewide offices, questions, and propositions	+	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 24	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	8	Adopted	66.9%	Authorizing the legislature to enact laws and provide a method of registration permitting voting in the specified elections by certain persons who would be qualified to vote in Texas but for the residency requirements.
6	2a	residency requirement exceptions for voting in presidential and vice presidential elections and elections for statewide offices, questions, and propositions	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
6	3	residency requirements for voting in municipal elections	=	1876/02/15						
6	3	residency requirements for voting in municipal elections	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Eliminating specification of residency length and deleting requirement that bond election voters be payers of property taxes. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
6	3	residency requirements for voting in municipal elections	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
6	3a	residency requirements for voting in bond elections	+	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 26	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	76.4%	Providing that only qualified voters who own taxable property in the jurisdiction holding a bond election, and who have duly rendered the property for taxation, may vote in that election.

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6	3a	residency requirements for voting in bond elections	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Eliminating requirement that a voter own taxable property and render the property for taxation, which was held unconstitutional by the United States Supreme Court in <i>Hill v. Stone</i> , 421 U.S. 289 (1975). Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
6	4	balloting and voter registration	=	1876/02/15						Originally including a prohibition against laws requiring voter registration.
6	4	balloting and voter registration	Δ	1887/08/04	S.J.R. 17 (J.R. 6)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	35.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for voter registration in cities of 10,000 or more in population and in counties as deemed advisable.
6	4	balloting and voter registration	Δ	1891/08/11	S.J.R. 19	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	78.0%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for voter registration in cities of 10,000 or more in population.
6	4	balloting and voter registration	Δ	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 1	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	1	Failed	43.4%	Removing the 1891 city population bracket and authorizing the legislature to provide for the registration of all voters. Part of a poll tax repeal attempt. Same ballot proposition amended 6:2.
6	4	balloting and voter registration	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 13	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	7	Adopted	58.6%	Removing the 1891 city population bracket and requiring the legislature to provide for the registration of voters throughout the state. The same ballot proposition amended 6:2 by repealing the poll tax as a voting prerequisite.
6	5	privilege of voters from arrest	=	1876/02/15						
6	1975 revision	constitutional revision: voter qualifications and elections	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	3	Failed	27.7%	Revising the voter qualification and election provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 6 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3160.
7	1	support and maintenance of system of public free schools	=	1876/02/15						
7	2	permanent school fund	=	1876/02/15						
7	2	permanent school fund	Δ	2011/11/08	H.J.R. 109	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	6	Adopted	51.6%	Clarifying a reference to the permanent school fund. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b, 7:4, and 7:5.
7	2A	release of state claim to certain lands and minerals	+	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 3	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	3	Adopted	67.3%	Clearing certain land titles by relinquishing state claims of sovereign ownership or title.
7	2A	release of state claim to certain lands and minerals	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 52	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	1	Adopted	74.4%	Providing for clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim of its interest to title holders of certain land in Bastrop County.
7	2B	release of state claim to land held by person under color of title	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 53	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	17	Adopted	64.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the release of the state's interest, excluding mineral rights, under certain conditions.
7	2C	release of state claim to certain lands in Upshur and Smith Counties	+	2005/11/08	S.J.R. 40	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	8	Adopted	61.3%	Clearing certain land titles by relinquishing state claims of sovereign ownership.

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7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	=	1876/02/15						Providing for public education funding through a setting aside of one-fourth of general revenue and a poll tax of \$1 applicable to males ages 21-60.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1883/08/14	J.R. 5	18th Leg., R.S., 1883	-	Adopted	60.2%	Establishing a state property tax of up to 20¢ per \$100 valuation for education and changing the set-aside to one-fourth of state occupation taxes. Authorizing the creation of school districts with additional, limited property taxation powers. Exempting city and town school districts from tax rate maximums.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1908/11/03	H.J.R. 7	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Adopted	71.5%	Increasing the maximum school district property tax rate to 50¢ per \$100 valuation and reducing from two-thirds to a simple majority the number of district voters required to approve a tax.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1909/08/03	H.J.R. 6	31st Leg., R.S., 1909	-	Adopted	71.6%	Authorizing public school districts to embrace parts of multiple counties and authorizing school taxation therein.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1916/11/07	H.J.R. 30	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	48.6%	Authorizing a county school tax of up to 50¢ per \$100 valuation and raising the maximum school district tax rate to \$1 per \$100 valuation.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1918/11/05	H.J.R. 27	35th Leg., R.S., 1917	-	Adopted	69.2%	Increasing the state property tax rate from 20¢ to 35¢ per \$100 valuation. Providing for the furnishing of free textbooks in public schools. Granting the legislature power to use state funds to meet educational needs.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1920/11/02	S.J.R. 17	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Adopted	63.7%	Exempting independent and common school districts from property tax limitations.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1926/11/02	H.J.R. 9	39th Leg., R.S., 1925	-	Adopted	60.6%	Eliminating the legislature's power to create school districts by special law.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1935/08/24	S.J.R. 24	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Failed	47.9%	Relating to the provision of free textbooks to children attending private schools. Same ballot proposition amended 7:5.
7	3	school districts and taxes for benefit of schools	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Eliminating obsolete poll tax and state property tax provisions. Eliminating the \$1 maximum school district rate, which since the 1920 amendment had not applied to independent or common school districts. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
7	3a	validation of certain multicounty school districts and related bond issues	+	1909/08/03	H.J.R. 5	31st Leg., R.S., 1909	-	Adopted	76.1%	
7	3a	validation of certain multicounty school districts and related bond issues	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.

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7	3b	authorization of county student loan funds and related taxation powers	+	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 9	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	21.2%	
7	3-b	effect of boundary changes of independent school districts and junior college districts on taxes and bond elections	+	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 6	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	13	Adopted	53.5%	Prohibiting the abrogation, cancellation, or invalidation of the vote in any previously held election on school taxes or bonds in Dallas County as a result of boundary changes.
7	3-b	effect of boundary changes of independent school districts and junior college districts on taxes and bond elections	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 65	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	10	Adopted	65.3%	Expanding the scope of the prohibition against the abrogation, cancellation, or invalidation of the vote in any previously held election on school taxes or bonds in Dallas County as a result of boundary changes to include all school districts and junior college districts.
7	3-c	county education districts and limited redistribution of property taxes	+	1993/05/01	S.J.R. 7	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	1	Failed	36.9%	A separate S.J.R. 7 ballot proposition included new 7:8a.
7	4	sale of permanent school fund lands and investment of proceeds	=	1876/02/15						
7	4	sale of permanent school fund lands and investment of proceeds	Δ	1883/08/14	J.R. 2	18th Leg., R.S., 1883	-	Adopted	58.5%	Expanding available investment instruments. A separate J.R. 2 ballot proposition amended 7:6.
7	4	sale of permanent school fund lands and investment of proceeds	Δ	1896/11/03	H.J.R. 18	24th Leg., R.S., 1895	-	Failed	34.9%	Modifying investment provisions.
7	4	sale of permanent school fund lands and investment of proceeds	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 21	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	4	Adopted	67.8%	Authorizing the use of proceeds to buy other land for the permanent school fund.
7	4	sale of permanent school fund lands and investment of proceeds	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
7	4	sale of permanent school fund lands and investment of proceeds	Δ	2011/11/08	H.J.R. 109	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	6	Adopted	51.6%	Clarifying references to the permanent school fund. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b, 7:2, and 7:5.
7	4A	remedies for title defects in certain public school lands held by individuals	+	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 117	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	2	Adopted	78.7%	Amendment included an automatic expiration date of January 1, 1990.

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7	4A	remedies for title defects in certain public school lands held by individuals	+	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 11	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	9	Adopted	63.5%	Authorizing the General Land Office to issue patents for certain school fund land held in good faith under color of title for at least 50 years.
7	4A	remedies for title defects in certain public school lands held by individuals	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
7	4B	independent school district; board of trustees: donation of real property and improvements	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 2	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	13	Adopted	80.4%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of school district boards of trustees to donate a defunct campus property for preservation purposes.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	=	1876/02/15						
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1891/08/11	J.R. 19	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	53.2%	Authorizing legislative transfer of not more than 1% annually from the corpus of the permanent school fund to the available school fund.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1935/08/24	S.J.R. 24	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Failed	47.9%	Relating to the provision of free textbooks to children attending private schools. Same ballot proposition amended 7:3.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1964/11/03	S.J.R. 6	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	1	Adopted	65.5%	Repealing the 1891 transfer provision of not more than 1% annually from the corpus of the permanent school fund to the available school fund.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1983/11/08	S.J.R. 12	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	5	Adopted	63.0%	Authorizing the use of the permanent school fund to guarantee bonds issued by school districts.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1988/11/08	H.J.R. 5	70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987	3	Adopted	63.4%	Authorizing the State Board of Education to invest permanent school fund assets in any kind of investment under certain circumstances, including the Texas growth fund. Same ballot proposition included new 7:11b and 16:70.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 53	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	12	Adopted	55.9%	Authorizing use of the permanent school fund's principal and income to guarantee bonds issued by the state to assist school districts in providing instructional facilities.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	1993/05/01	S.J.R. 4	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	3	Failed	44.1%	Authorizing the issue of up to \$750 million in general obligation or revenue bonds for school districts. (The Internal Revenue Service had disallowed the guarantee contemplated by the 1989 amendment.)

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7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 68	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	9	Adopted	50.3%	Authorizing the inclusion within the available school fund of not just permanent school fund interest but distributions from the total return on permanent school fund assets including capital gains. Providing for the determination of the distribution rate and setting a limit on distribution amounts. A separate H.J.R. 68 ballot proposition amended 3:49-b.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	2011/11/08	H.J.R. 109	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	6	Adopted	51.6%	Including in the calculation of the market value of the permanent school fund discretionary real assets investments and cash in the state treasury derived from permanent school fund property. Authorizing the General Land Office or other applicable entity other than the State Board of Education to distribute to the available school fund each year up to \$300 million from revenue derived from permanent school fund land or properties. Same ballot proposition amended 3:49-b, 7:2, and 7:4.
7	5	permanent and available school funds and their management and use	Δ	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 151	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	7	Adopted	74.1%	Revising the 2011 amendment to explicitly authorize distributions to the available school fund by the State Board of Education and to increase the maximum authorized distribution amount.
7	6	county school lands	=	1876/02/15						
7	6	county school lands	Δ	1883/08/14	J.R. 2	18th Leg., R.S., 1883	-	Adopted	58.6%	Expanding available investment instruments for proceeds from the sale of county school lands. A separate J.R. 2 ballot proposition amended 7:4.
7	6	county school lands	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
7	6a	taxation of county agricultural or grazing school lands	+	1926/11/02	S.J.R. 10	39th Leg., R.S., 1925	-	Adopted	67.4%	Making county school land used for agriculture or grazing subject to taxation to the same extent as privately owned land.
7	6b	reduction and distribution of county permanent school fund	+	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 57	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	14	Adopted	58.0%	Authorizing a county commissioners court to reduce its county permanent school fund and to distribute the amount of reduction for debt service or for permanent improvements.
7	7	requirement for impartial provision of racially segregated schools	=	1876/02/15						
7	7	requirement for impartial provision of racially segregated schools	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
7	8	State Board of Education	=	1876/02/15						Establishing a board of education consisting of the governor, comptroller of public accounts, and secretary of state.

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7	8	State Board of Education	Δ	1928/11/06	H.J.R. 14	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Adopted	59.5%	Requiring the legislature to provide for an appointed or elected board with up to six-year terms. A separate H.J.R. 14 ballot proposition included new 7:16.
7	8a	school district exemption from obligation to comply with certain unfunded state mandates	+	1993/05/01	S.J.R. 7	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	2	Failed	48.7%	A separate S.J.R. 7 ballot proposition included new 7:3-c.
7	9	asylum lands	=	1876/02/15						
7	9	asylum lands	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
7	9-a	fund for Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Texas School for the Deaf	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections. Allowing the disposition of asylum funds that are abolished in connection with the 7:9 repeal. Amendment included an automatic expiration date of January 1, 2005.
7	10	The University of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
7	10	The University of Texas	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 34	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	38.2%	Relating to university governance. Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications, providing separate land endowments for The University of Texas and Texas A&M. Same ballot proposition amended 7:11, 7:12, 7:13, 7:14, and 7:15.
7	10	The University of Texas	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 29	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	33.0%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Replacing the 1876 section, relating only to The University of Texas, with one enumerating four separate and independent institutions of higher education (The University of Texas, Texas A&M, Prairie View, and College of Industrial Arts for White Girls). Same ballot proposition amended 7:11, 7:12, 7:13, 7:14, and 7:15.
7	11	permanent university fund (PUF)	=	1876/02/15						
7	11	permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1887/08/04	H.J.R. 18 (J.R. 4)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	28.8%	Relating to bond purchases and investment authorization.
7	11	permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 34	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	38.2%	Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:12, 7:13, 7:14, and 7:15. Excepting from the PUF the land transfers to Texas A&M and Prairie View under amendments to 7:13. Providing for fund investment as provided by law. Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications.

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7	11	permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 29	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	33.0%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Division of PUF between The University of Texas (two-thirds) and Texas A&M and Prairie View (one-third). Fund investments as authorized by law. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:12, 7:13, 7:14, and 7:15.
7	11	permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1930/11/04	S.J.R. 7	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Adopted	60.9%	Allowing additional types of investment instruments.
7	11	permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1932/11/08	S.J.R. 26	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	72.9%	Eliminating investment in bonds or obligations of the board of regents of The University of Texas System. Allowing educational donations for specific purposes separate from the PUF.
7	11a	additional types of securities for permanent university fund (PUF) investments	+	1951/11/13	H.J.R. 37	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	2	Failed	44.7%	
7	11a	investment of permanent university fund (PUF)	+	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 15	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	3	Adopted	77.3%	Authorizing PUF investments in corporate bonds and stocks and requiring the board of regents of The University of Texas System to exercise judgment and care under the prudent person standard. Same ballot proposition amended 7:17 (1947) and 7:18.
7	11a	investment of permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 20	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	3	Adopted	59.8%	Authorizing PUF investments in securities, bonds, or other obligations issued, insured, or guaranteed by the federal government or a federal agency. Maintaining the prudent person standard for such investments.
7	11b	expansion of authorized investments of permanent university fund (PUF)	+	1988/11/08	H.J.R. 5	70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987	3	Adopted	63.4%	Authorizing the board of regents of The University of Texas System to invest the PUF in any kind of investment under certain circumstances, including the Texas growth fund. Same ballot proposition amended 7:5 and included new 16:70.
7	11b	expansion of authorized investments of permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
7	11b	expansion of authorized investments of permanent university fund (PUF)	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 58	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	17	Adopted	61.2%	Replacing the “prudent person” standard with a “prudent investor” standard for PUF investments. Same ballot proposition amended 7:18.
7	12	sale of university lands	=	1876/02/15						

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7	12	sale of university lands	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 34	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	38.2%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. The ballot proposition traded the content of 7:12 and 7:13 from 1876, with 7:12, rather than 7:13, becoming the section on Texas A&M. Providing for Texas A&M as a separate institution and establishing Prairie View under its governance and control. Authorizing establishment of subsidiary junior agricultural colleges. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:13, 7:14, and 7:15.
7	12	sale of university lands	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 29	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	33.0%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:13, 7:14, and 7:15. Adding transitional provisions relating to the division of the permanent university fund (PUF) in the amendments to 7:11.
7	13	Texas A&M University	=	1876/02/15						
7	13	Texas A&M University	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 34	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	38.2%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. The ballot proposition traded the content of 7:13 and 7:12 from 1876, with 7:13, rather than 7:12, pertaining to sale of lands. Also including a transfer of 600,000 acres of permanent university fund (PUF) land to Texas A&M and another 150,000 acres of PUF land to Prairie View. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:12, 7:14, and 7:15.
7	13	Texas A&M University	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 29	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	33.0%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Replacing the 1876 Texas A&M provisions with provisions relating to appropriations to institutions of higher education. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:12, 7:14, and 7:15.
7	14	Prairie View A&M University	=	1876/02/15						Providing for a university for the instruction of colored youth, but without reference to Prairie View specifically.
7	14	Prairie View A&M University	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 34	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	38.2%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Content from 1876 essentially moved to 7:12 provisions on Prairie View. New section content relating instead to Texas A&M permanent and available funds. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:12, 7:13, and 7:15.
7	14	Prairie View A&M University	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 29	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	33.0%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Prairie View provisions of 1876 moved to 7:15 and replaced by provisions relating to the curricula emphasis of the various institutions of higher education. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:12, 7:13, and 7:15.

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7	14	Prairie View A&M University	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 19	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	2	Adopted	71.9%	Designating Prairie View A&M University as an institution of the first class under the governing board of Texas A&M. Same ballot proposition amended 7:18 and included new 7:17.
7	15	grant of additional lands to The University of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
7	15	grant of additional lands to The University of Texas	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 34	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	38.2%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Replacing 1876 section with one relating to College of Industrial Arts for White Girls (Denton). Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:12, 7:13, and 7:14.
7	15	grant of additional lands to The University of Texas	Δ	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 29	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	33.0%	Part of a reorganization of constitutional college and university funding dedications. Replacing 1876 content with provisions relating to Prairie View. Same ballot proposition amended 7:10, 7:11, 7:12, 7:13, and 7:14.
7	16	six-year terms of office for officers of the public school system and state institutions of higher education	+	1928/11/06	H.J.R. 14	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Adopted	59.1%	Requiring the legislature to fix the terms of office, not to exceed six years, for all public school system officials and officials of state institutions of higher education. A separate H.J.R. 14 ballot proposition amended 7:8.
7	16	six-year terms of office for officers of the public school system and state institutions of higher education	-	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Renumbered as 7:16-a. See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
7	16	county taxation of university lands	+	1930/11/04	H.J.R. 11	41st Leg., R.S., 1929	-	Adopted	65.1%	Duplicate section numbering. Making permanent university fund (PUF) land subject to county taxes to the same extent as privately owned land.
7	16	county taxation of university lands	Δ	1934/11/06	H.J.R. 30	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	39.5%	School district taxation of university lands.
7	16-a	six-year terms of office for officers of the public school system and state institutions of higher education	+	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Formerly 7:16 (1928). See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
7	17	state property tax for Confederate pensions and the college building fund	+	1947/08/23	S.J.R. 4	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	-	Adopted	51.3%	Same ballot proposition included new 7:18.

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7	17	state property tax for Confederate pensions and the college building fund	Δ	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 15	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	3	Adopted	77.3%	Expanding the purpose of the tax for Confederate pensions to include the establishment and maintenance of the state building fund. Revising the period during which bonds secured by the college building fund may be issued. Revising the list of college building fund institutions. Same ballot proposition amended 7:18 and included new 7:11a.
7	17	state property tax for Confederate pensions and the college building fund	Δ	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 24	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	1	Adopted	59.5%	Doubling the tax rate from 5¢ to 10¢ per \$100 valuation. Adding Arlington State College, Midwestern University, the University of Houston, Pan American College, and Angelo State College to the list of college building fund institutions.
7	17	state property tax for Confederate pensions and the college building fund	-	1982/11/02	H.J.R. 1	67th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1982	1	Adopted	72.0%	Part of state property tax repeal. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-e and included new 8:1-h.
7	17	higher education fund for construction and other needs at colleges and universities outside the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems	+	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 19	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	2	Adopted	71.9%	Creating the fund to support certain specified institutions of higher education. Same ballot proposition amended 7:14 and 7:18.
7	17	higher education fund for construction and other needs at colleges and universities outside the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 13	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	13	Adopted	58.2%	Adding the Texas State Technical College System to the list of institutions eligible for support and expanding the scope of authorized uses of the fund.
7	17	higher education fund for construction and other needs at colleges and universities outside the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
7	17	higher education fund for construction and other needs at colleges and universities outside the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 103	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	1	Adopted	66.3%	Providing for the continuation of the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University on a change in its governance.

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7	17	higher education fund for construction and other needs at colleges and universities outside the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 14	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	4	Adopted	56.7%	Repealing provisions relating to the dedication of state revenue to the creation of the higher education fund and the administration of the fund. Same ballot proposition added 7:20 establishing the national research university fund. A separate H.J.R. 14 ballot proposition amended 1:17 limiting the taking of private property.
7	18	university bond issue for land and improvements	+	1947/08/23	S.J.R. 4	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	-	Adopted	51.3%	Authorizing bond issues of up to \$5 million by Texas A&M and up to \$10 million by The University of Texas payable from permanent university fund (PUF) income. Same ballot proposition included new 7:17.
7	18	university bond issue for land and improvements	Δ	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 15	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	3	Adopted	77.3%	Specifying a maximum combined total for bond issues equal to 20% of the value of the permanent university fund (PUF) exclusive of real estate. Allocating one-third of the maximum to Texas A&M and two-thirds to The University of Texas. Same ballot proposition amended 7:17 (1947) and included new 7:11a.
7	18	university bond issue for land and improvements	Δ	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 39	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	3	Adopted	55.8%	Withdrawing Arlington State College from participation in the permanent university fund (PUF). (See 7:17 (1965).)
7	18	university bond issue for land and improvements	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 19	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	2	Adopted	71.9%	Including an increase in the maximum combined total for bond issues, from 20% to 30% of the value of the permanent university fund (PUF) exclusive of real estate. Restructuring the PUF and establishing the available university fund. Same ballot proposition amended 7:14 and included new 7:17.
7	18	university bond issue for land and improvements	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
7	18	university bond issue for land and improvements	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 58	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	17	Adopted	61.2%	Including permanent university fund (PUF) distributions based on the total return on all PUF assets, including capital gains, rather than just dividends, interest, and other income in the composition of the available university fund. Same ballot proposition amended 7:11b.
7	19	Texas tomorrow fund for prepaid higher education tuition	+	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 8	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	13	Adopted	72.1%	Creating the fund as a trust fund dedicated to the prepayment of higher education tuition and fees.
7	20	national research university fund	+	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 14	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	4	Adopted	56.7%	Establishing the national research university fund. Same ballot proposition repealed 7:17(i) eliminating the higher education fund. A separate H.J.R. 14 ballot proposition amended 1:17 limiting the taking of private property.

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7	1975 revision	constitutional revision: education	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	4	Failed	28.0%	Revising the education provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 7 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3163. Including a contingent provision amending new 7:4 (State Board of Education) if Proposition 1 failed, and including a contingent provision adding a new section (occupation taxes) if Proposition 5 failed. See session laws, pp. 3167-3168. Including a contingent provision retaining and incorporating 7:6a and 7:16 (1930) in new Article 7 if Proposition 5 failed. See session laws, p. 3168. Including a contingent provision retaining and incorporating 7:16 (1928) in new Article 7 if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3167.
7	1975 revision	constitutional revision: education	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	5	Failed	25.0%	Revising the finance provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 7:6a and 7:16 (1930). See session laws, p. 3176. Including a contingent provision amending 7:17 if Proposition 4 failed. See session laws, p. 3177. Including a contingent provision amending 7:3 if Propositions 4 and 6 both failed. See session laws, p. 3179.
7	1975 revision	constitutional revision: education	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision deleting 7:3-b and amending 7:3 if Proposition 4 failed. See session laws, p. 3185.
8	<u>1</u>	equal and uniform taxation	=	1876/02/15						
8	<u>1</u>	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1934/11/06	S.J.R. 16	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	30.2%	Authorizing classification of property other than real property and allowing different tax rates for the different classifications.
8	<u>1</u>	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 1	65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978	tax relief	Adopted	84.5%	Part of tax relief amendment. Providing a property tax exemption for household goods and personal effects not held or used for the production of income. Removing intangible property from the constitutionally required property tax base and constitutional authority for the imposition of a poll tax. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b and included new 8:1-d-1, 8:21, 8:22, and 8:23.
8	<u>1</u>	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 12	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	11	Failed	48.8%	Adding freeport exemption from property tax, which was ultimately added instead by 8:1-j in 1989. Another S.J.R. 12 ballot proposition succeeded in amending 8:1.
8	<u>1</u>	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 12	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	10	Adopted	51.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for certain tangible personal property not used for production of income. Another S.J.R. 12 ballot proposition proposed to amend 8:1 but ultimately failed.
8	<u>1</u>	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 11	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	5	Adopted	64.5%	Making a conforming change relating to new freeport exemption from property tax (8:1-j from same ballot proposition).

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8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1991/08/10	S.J.R. 42	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	1	Adopted	58.4%	Relating to the applicability of property tax exemptions to county education districts. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b and included new 8:1-b-1. The county education district system was declared unconstitutional in 1992, and the related 7:3-c constitutional amendment failed in 1993.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 49	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	4	Adopted	69.3%	Making a conforming change relating to new 8:24 limitation on personal income taxes from the same ballot proposition. See also 8:1 (2019).
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 31	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	12	Adopted	69.9%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for income-producing property and mineral interests of value insufficient to recover tax administration costs.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 43	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	2	Adopted	75.7%	Authorizing the legislature to set limits on maximum average annual percentage increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for purposes of the property tax. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	1999/11/02	S.J.R. 21	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	12	Adopted	57.1%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for a leased motor vehicle not held primarily for the production of income. Removing references to county education districts. See 1991 comments on this section.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 44	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	14	Adopted	51.9%	Allowing the legislature by general law to authorize a taxing unit other than a school district to exempt from property taxation a registered travel trailer, whether real or personal property, that is not held or used for production of income.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	2003/09/13	S.J.R. 25	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	5	Adopted	62.3%	Repealing the 2001 change. Revising the legislature's property tax exemption power for tangible personal property to effectively allow the exemption of a trailer that is not held or used for production of income, unless it is a structure that is substantially affixed to real estate.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 40	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	3	Adopted	71.5%	Authorizing the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for property taxes to the lesser of the most recent market value of the homestead as determined by the appraisal entity or 110%, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the homestead for the preceding tax year.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 54	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	6	Adopted	73.7%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for one motor vehicle used in the course of the owner's occupation or profession and for personal activities that do not produce income.

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8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 36	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	2	Adopted	68.2%	Authorizing the legislature to provide by general law for the taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of its value as a residence. Separate H.J.R. 36 ballot propositions amended 8:18 and 8:23.
8	1	equal and uniform taxation	Δ	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 38	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	4	Adopted	74.4%	Making a conforming change relating to the same ballot proposition's repeal of 8:24 limitation on personal income taxes and removing the legislature's related, restricted authorization to tax incomes of natural persons. Same ballot proposition also included new 8:24-a, prohibiting the legislature from imposing a tax on the net incomes of individuals.
8	1-a	separation of taxed objects for state and local taxation	+	1927/08/01	H.J.R. 25	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	8.7%	
8	1-a	county levies for roads and flood control, including a residence homestead exemption	+	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 6	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	79.0%	Originally providing for a \$3,000 residence homestead exemption from all taxation for state purposes. Making the exemption inapplicable to political subdivisions while receiving remission of state taxes.
8	1-a	county levies for roads and flood control, including a residence homestead exemption	Δ	1933/08/26	H.J.R. 32	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Adopted	83.7%	Relating to the certain inapplicability of the exemption to political subdivisions.
8	1-a	county levies for roads and flood control, including a residence homestead exemption	Δ	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 24	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	7	Adopted	70.2%	Establishing a prohibition on state property taxes for general revenue purposes beginning calendar year 1951. Authorizing county property taxes capped at 30¢ on each \$100 valuation for construction and maintenance of farm-to-market roads or for flood control; providing for a \$3,000 residential homestead exemption from such tax. The \$3,000 residence homestead exemption from all taxation for state purposes was moved to 8:1-b by H.J.R. 35 (1948).
8	1-a	county levies for roads and flood control, including a residence homestead exemption	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 13	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	3	Adopted	79.4%	Specifying that the \$3,000 residential homestead exemption from county property taxes applies to the residential homesteads of married and unmarried adults, male or female. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b.
8	1-a	county levies for roads and flood control, including a residence homestead exemption	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	1-a	county levies for roads and flood control, including a residence homestead exemption	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	+	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 35	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	5	Adopted	85.5%	Moving from 8:1-a the \$3,000 residence homestead exemption from all taxation for state purposes. Same ballot proposition included new 8:1-c. See the 1948 amendment of 8:1-a for additional background.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 7	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	6	Adopted	73.9%	Allowing political subdivisions to adopt local-option residence homestead property tax exemptions for the elderly.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 13	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	3	Adopted	79.4%	Extending property tax exemptions to the residence homesteads of unmarried adults. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-a.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 1	65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978	tax relief	Adopted	84.5%	Part of tax relief amendment. Providing for a school property tax freeze for the elderly, changing the basis on which residence homestead value is calculated from assessed value to market value, instituting a mandatory \$5,000 school property tax exemption, authorizing an optional additional exemption of up to \$10,000 for the elderly or disabled, and extending to the disabled the local-option residence homestead exemption. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and included new 8:1-d-1, 8:21, 8:22, and 8:23.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 81	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	6	Adopted	66.6%	Authorizing local-option residence homestead exemptions based on a percentage of market value. Same ballot proposition amended 8:21.

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8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 48	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	3	Adopted	84.6%	Extending the school property tax freeze for the elderly to a surviving spouse of age 55 or older.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1991/08/10	S.J.R. 42	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	1	Adopted	58.4%	Relating to the applicability of exemptions to county education districts. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and included new 8:1-b-1. The county education district system was declared unconstitutional in 1992, and the related 7:3-c constitutional amendment failed in 1993.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 64	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	6	Adopted	83.8%	Extending the residence homestead property tax exemption for the elderly to a surviving spouse of age 55 or older.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1997/08/09	H.J.R. 4	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	-	Adopted	93.8%	Increasing from \$5,000 to \$15,000 the residence homestead exemption for school taxes, providing for an associated adjustment of any applicable tax freeze for the elderly, and allowing the transfer of the freeze to a different residence homestead.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 43	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	2	Adopted	75.7%	Allowing tax freeze transfers to be retroactive. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1.

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8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Including a removal of references to county education districts. See 1991 comments on this section. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 16	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	13	Adopted	81.0%	Permitting counties, cities and towns, and junior college districts to establish a tax freeze on residence homesteads of the disabled, the elderly, and surviving spouses of a certain age.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 21	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	17	Adopted	77.7%	Extending the school property tax freeze to the residence homestead of a disabled person.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2007/05/12	S.J.R. 13	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	1	Adopted	87.7%	Authorizing the legislature to proportionally reduce school property tax freeze amounts applicable to residence homesteads of the elderly and disabled to provide a tax reduction similar to the reduction that other taxpayers received in 2006.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 29	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	9	Adopted	86.2%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of residence homesteads of certain totally disabled veterans. Same ballot proposition amended 8:2.

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8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 14	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	1	Adopted	82.9%	Extending the residence homestead property tax exemption for certain totally disabled veterans to the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who qualified for the exemption, under certain conditions.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2013/11/05	H.J.R. 24	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	4	Adopted	85.1%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the veteran's surviving spouse if the residence homestead was donated to the veteran by a charitable organization at no cost to the veteran.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2013/11/05	H.J.R. 62	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	1	Adopted	87.0%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the U.S. military who is killed in action.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2015/11/03	H.J.R. 75	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	2	Adopted	91.4%	Further extending the 2011 residence homestead property tax exemption for a disabled veteran's surviving spouse to the surviving spouse of a disabled veteran who would have qualified for the exemption but died before the law providing for the exemption took effect.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2015/11/03	S.J.R. 1	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	1	Adopted	86.4%	Increasing from \$15,000 to \$25,000 the residence homestead exemption for school taxes, providing for an associated adjustment of any applicable tax freeze for the elderly and disabled, and authorizing the legislature to prohibit a political subdivision that adopts a local-option residence homestead exemption that is based on a percentage of market value from reducing the amount of or repealing the exemption. Same ballot proposition included new 8:29.

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8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2017/11/07	H.J.R. 21	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	1	Adopted	86.0%	Expanding the 2013 property tax exemption for a residence homestead donated to a partially disabled veteran by a charitable organization at no cost to the veteran to include a homestead donated for less than the homestead's market value.
8	1-b	local-option property tax exemptions; school property tax exemptions, including those for the elderly and disabled; and school property tax freeze for the elderly and disabled	Δ	2017/11/07	S.J.R. 1	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	6	Adopted	84.6%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a first responder who is killed or fatally injured in the line of duty.
8	1-b-1	references to county education districts	+	1991/08/10	S.J.R. 42	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	1	Adopted	58.4%	Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and 8:1-b.
8	1-b-1	references to county education districts	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	1-c	effectiveness of 8:1-b adoption in 1948 made contingent on adoption of 1948 amendment to 8:1-a	+	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 35	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	5	Adopted	85.5%	Same ballot proposition included new 8:1-b. See the 1948 amendment of 8:1-a for additional background.
8	1-c	effectiveness of 8:1-b adoption in 1948 made contingent on adoption of 1948 amendment to 8:1-a	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	1-d	assessment of land designated for agricultural use	+	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 79	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	1	Adopted	53.5%	Providing for land designated for agricultural use to be assessed for tax purposes on the basis of factors relating to agricultural use and defining "agricultural use."
8	1-d	assessment of land designated for agricultural use	Δ	1970/11/03	S.J.R. 15	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	3	Failed	44.5%	Shortened version of the section eliminating various 1966 details and leaving elaboration to enabling legislation.

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8	1-d-1	taxation of open-space land	+	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 1	65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978	tax relief	Adopted	84.5%	Part of tax relief amendment. Requiring the legislature to provide by general law for the taxation of open-space land devoted to farm or ranch purposes on the basis of its productive capacity. Authorizing the legislature to provide for taxation of open-space land devoted to timber production on a similar basis. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and 8:1-b and included new 8:21, 8:22, and 8:23.
8	1-d-1	taxation of open-space land	Δ	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 72	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	11	Adopted	61.3%	Allowing open-space land used for wildlife management to qualify for tax appraisal on the basis of its productive capacity in the same manner as open-space agricultural land.
8	1-d-1	taxation of open-space land	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 16	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	8	Failed	47.0%	Allowing open-space land used for water stewardship to qualify for tax appraisal on the basis of its productive capacity in the same manner as open-space land devoted to farm, ranch, or wildlife management purposes or for timber production.
8	1-e	abolishment of state property taxes	+	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 32	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	7	Adopted	64.1%	Providing for a gradual reduction in the state property tax rate and its eventual abolishment after 1978. Containing an exception for certain taxes for higher education. Same ballot proposition amended 3:51.
8	1-e	abolishment of state property taxes	Δ	1982/11/02	H.J.R. 1	67th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1982	1	Adopted	72.0%	Repealing all state property taxes, including the exception for certain taxes for higher education. Same ballot proposition repealed 7:17 and included new 8:1-h.
8	1-e	abolishment of state property taxes	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
8	1-f	property tax exemption for certain property temporarily stored in warehouse	+	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 16	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	13	Failed	44.6%	See also the 1987 freeport exemption amendment of 8:1 (failed) and the 1989 freeport exemption in 8:1-j (adopted).
8	1-f	property tax exemptions or relief for cultural, historical, or natural history resource preservation	+	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 5	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	4	Adopted	55.6%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the preservation of cultural, historic, or natural resources by granting exemptions or relief from state property taxes and authorizing local governments to grant similar property tax exemptions or relief.
8	1-g	issue by cities and towns of tax increment bonds to finance redevelopment of blighted areas	+	1978/11/07	S.J.R. 44	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	3	Failed	48.2%	S.J.R. 44 was amended by S.J.R. 17, 65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978 (session laws, p. 53), which provided certain clarifying language.
8	1-g	reinvestment zone tax relief and issue of development or redevelopment bonds or notes	+	1981/11/03	S.J.R. 8	67th Leg., 1st C.S., 1981	1	Adopted	58.3%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of local taxing jurisdictions to grant property tax exemptions or relief on property in a reinvestment zone and for the authorization of incorporated cities and towns to issue bonds secured by property tax revenue to finance development or redevelopment of unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted areas.

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8	1-g	reinvestment zone tax relief and issue of development or redevelopment bonds or notes	Δ	2011/11/08	H.J.R. 63	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	4	Failed	40.3%	Extending to counties the authorization previously granted to incorporated cities and towns to issue secured bonds to finance development or redevelopment of unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted areas.
8	1-h	validation of statutory assessment ratio	+	1982/11/02	H.J.R. 1	67th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1982	1	Adopted	72.0%	Part of state property tax repeal (eliminating the basis for a related lawsuit). Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-e and repealed 7:17.
8	1-i	property tax relief for certain offshore drilling equipment that is not in use	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 96	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	20	Adopted	50.1%	
8	1-j	refund of taxes on tobacco products in Texarkana and contiguous cities	+	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 50	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	10	Failed	35.8%	
8	1-j	freeport exemption from property taxation	+	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 11	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	5	Adopted	64.5%	Exempting goods, merchandise, other tangible property, and ores other than oil, natural gas, and petroleum products from property taxation when held temporarily in the state and intended for eventual transport outside the state. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1.
8	1-j	freeport exemption from property taxation	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	1-j	freeport exemption from property taxation	Δ	2013/11/05	H.J.R. 133	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	3	Adopted	57.7%	Authorizing the governing body of a political subdivision to extend the freeport exemption period for aircraft parts.
8	1-k	property tax exemption for property of a nonprofit water supply or wastewater service corporation	+	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 15	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	10	Adopted	54.3%	Duplicate section numbering, but the other 1991 amendment failed.
8	1-k	property tax exemptions in an enterprise zone	+	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 39	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	5	Failed	37.2%	Duplicate section numbering.
8	1-l	property tax exemption for property used for control of air, water, or land pollution	+	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 86	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	2	Adopted	56.9%	
8	1-m	property tax exemption or relief for property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented	+	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 45	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	3	Adopted	61.8%	
8	1-n	property tax exemption for raw cocoa and green coffee in Harris County	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 47	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	3	Adopted	51.5%	Duplicate section numbering.

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8	1-n	property tax exemption for certain tangible personal property	+	2001/11/06	S.J.R. 6	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	10	Adopted	63.0%	Duplicate section numbering. Comparable to freeport exemption in 8:1-j, but with differences such as the ultimate destination of the property and the duration of the property's retention at the temporary location.
8	1-o	municipal property tax exemption for certain revitalization or redevelopment property for a limited period	+	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 44	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	5	Adopted	66.0%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of a municipal election on the question of a property tax exemption for property in an area designated for revitalization or redevelopment, under certain conditions.
8	1-p	property tax exemption for precious metal held in a precious metal depository in Texas	+	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 95	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	9	Adopted	51.3%	
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	=	1876/02/15						Requiring occupation taxes to be equal and uniform. Providing tax exemptions for specified types of property and invalidating all laws exempting any other types of property.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1906/11/06	S.J.R. 4	29th Leg., R.S., 1905	-	Adopted	64.7%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a qualified property tax exemption relating to endowment funds of institutions of learning and religion.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1928/11/06	H.J.R. 20	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Adopted	60.0%	Authorizing the legislature to provide property tax exemptions for certain church properties and youth organization properties.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1969/08/05	S.J.R. 6	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	4	Failed	46.8%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for certain property owned by a nonprofit water supply corporation.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 35	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	5	Adopted	76.4%	Authorizing the legislature to provide property tax exemptions for disabled veterans and their surviving spouses and minor children and granting such exemptions for surviving spouses and children of members of the U.S. armed forces who died while on active duty.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1978/11/07	S.J.R. 53	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	4	Adopted	64.6%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for solar-powered or wind-powered energy devices.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1983/11/08	S.J.R. 1	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	8	Failed	47.2%	Permitting taxing units to grant property tax exemptions to certain fraternal and veterans organizations.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 13	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	4	Adopted	52.8%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for certain property of nonprofit veterans organizations.

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8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 36	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	2	Failed	46.4%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for certain organizations chartered in the pre-statehood period.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 68	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	14	Adopted	69.3%	Increasing the maximum property tax exemption for disabled veterans and their surviving spouses and minor children. Making such exemptions for the surviving spouses and children of members of the U.S. armed forces who died while on active duty permissive and increasing the maximum exemption.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 4	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	4	Adopted	51.8%	Expanding the definition of exempted charities to include those engaged primarily in public charitable functions. Same ballot proposition amended 16:71.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 55	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	3	Adopted	52.9%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a property tax exemption for property owned by a religious organization that is leased for use as a school or that is owned with the intent of expanding or constructing a place of religious worship.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	2007/11/06	S.J.R. 29	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	9	Adopted	86.2%	Adjusting slightly the manner of determining the amount of the property tax exemption to which a disabled veteran and the veteran's surviving spouse and minor children are entitled. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b.
8	2	certain property tax exemptions and equal and uniform occupation taxes	Δ	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 34	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	3	Adopted	85.1%	Authorizing the legislature to provide a temporary property tax exemption for property in a disaster area.
8	2-A	property tax exemptions for certain hospitals that care for the indigent	+	1965/11/02	S.J.R. 7	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	7	Failed	46.7%	
8	2-a	property tax exemptions for pollution control equipment	+	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 24	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	6	Failed	48.8%	
8	2C	property tax exemptions for certain water supply corporations and cooperatives	+	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 25	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	9	Failed	43.4%	
8	3	levy and collection of taxes by general laws for public purposes	=	1876/02/15						
8	3	levy and collection of taxes by general laws for public purposes	Δ	1934/11/06	S.J.R. 13	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	20.0%	Limiting biennial revenue to \$22.50 multiplied by the population of the state, with certain exceptions.

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8	4	prohibition against surrender or suspension by the legislature of its power to tax corporations and corporate property	=	1876/02/15						
8	5	railroad property and municipal taxation	=	1876/02/15						
8	5	railroad property and municipal taxation	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	6	restrictions on appropriation of state funds	=	1876/02/15						
8	6	restrictions on appropriation of state funds	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 8	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	1	Failed	43.3%	Part of a ballot proposition providing for annual legislative sessions. Reducing the maximum duration of appropriations to one year. Same ballot proposition amended 3:5, 3:24, and 3:49a.
8	6	restrictions on appropriation of state funds	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	7	prohibition against borrowing, withholding, or diverting special funds by the legislature	=	1876/02/15						
8	7-a	dedication of certain motor fuels taxes and motor vehicle registration fees to public roadways and an allocation to the available school fund	+	1946/11/05	H.J.R. 49	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	3	Adopted	79.8%	Dedicating the specified taxes and fees to right-of-way acquisition and road construction, maintenance, and policing and to the payment of certain outstanding debt, with the exception of an allocation of one-quarter of the motor fuel tax to the available school fund.
8	7-b	dedication of federal reimbursement for state highway fund expenditures to highway purposes	+	1988/11/08	S.J.R. 8	70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987	1	Adopted	86.9%	
8	7-c	dedication of a portion of the revenue derived from the state sales and use tax and the tax imposed on the sale, use, or rental of a motor vehicle to the state highway fund	+	2015/11/03	S.J.R. 5	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	7	Adopted	83.2%	Temporarily dedicating the specified tax revenue to nontoll roads and the payment of certain transportation-related bond debt.

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8	7-d	dedication of the revenue derived from state sales and use taxes imposed on sporting goods	+	2019/11/05	S.J.R. 24	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	5	Adopted	88.0%	Dedicating the revenue to the Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Historical Commission, with certain exception.
8	8	assessment and collection of property taxes from railroad companies	=	1876/02/15						Originally requiring the comptroller of public accounts to apportion the taxable value of railroad rolling stock among counties.
8	8	assessment and collection of property taxes from railroad companies	Δ	1986/11/04	S.J.R. 15	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	1	Adopted	59.0%	Requiring the apportionment of the taxable value of railroad rolling stock among counties to be done as provided by general law.
8	9	maximum tax levies	=	1876/02/15						Setting a maximum state property tax rate of 50¢ per \$100 valuation. Setting the maximum tax rate for a county, city, and town at half the state property tax rate, exclusive of a maximum rate of 50¢ per \$100 valuation for building construction, and providing other exceptions for payment of debts already incurred and as otherwise provided in the constitution.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1883/08/14	J.R. 4	18th Leg., R.S., 1883	-	Adopted	59.9%	Reducing the maximum state property tax rate from 50¢ to 35¢ per \$100 valuation, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public schools. Setting a maximum county, city, and town rate of 25¢ per \$100 valuation for governmental purposes with maximum rates of 15¢ per \$100 valuation for roads and bridges and 25¢ per \$100 valuation for the erection of public buildings, street, sewer, and other public improvements.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1890/11/04	S.J.R. 19 (J.R. 2)	21st Leg., R.S., 1889	-	Adopted	64.4%	Retaining 1883 maximum property tax rates and adding water works to the types of public improvements for which the 1883 maximum tax rate of 25¢ per \$100 valuation applies. Authorizing the legislature to provide for local-option road and highway taxes, up to a maximum of 15¢ per \$100 valuation, and to pass local laws for the maintenance of roads and highways without local notice.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1906/11/06	H.J.R. 2	29th Leg., R.S., 1905	-	Adopted	51.6%	Authorizing property taxes of up to 15¢ per \$100 valuation to pay jurors.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1907/08/06	H.J.R. 1	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	23.4%	Authorizing creation of improvement districts in cities with a population of more than 5,000.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1915/07/24	H.J.R. 4	34th Leg., R.S., 1915	-	Failed	28.9%	Increasing the maximum tax rate for public improvements from 25¢ to \$1 per \$100 valuation. Increasing the maximum road and highway tax rate from 15¢ to 50¢ per \$100 valuation. Revising voter eligibility provisions relating to road and highway tax elections.

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8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1919/11/04	S.J.R. 20	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	26.6%	Increasing the county, city, and town maximum tax rate from 25¢ to 35¢ per \$100 valuation, the road and bridge maximum rate from 15¢ to 30¢ per \$100 valuation, the public improvements maximum rate from 25¢ to 50¢ per \$100 valuation, and the local-option road and highway maximum rate from 15¢ to 60¢ per \$100 valuation.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1944/11/07	H.J.R. 18	48th Leg., R.S., 1943	-	Adopted	62.4%	Authorizing a county commissioners court to reallocate the city or county, road and bridge, public improvements, and juror maximum tax rates for a combined total of no more than 80¢ per \$100 valuation. Requiring local voter approval of the reallocation.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 23	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	2	Adopted	66.0%	Combining the existing separate governmental, road and bridge, public improvement, and juror fund maximum tax rates for a county, city, or town into one maximum tax rate of 80¢ per \$100 valuation. Eliminating the 1944 provision requiring voter approval of a reallocation of tax rates.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1967/11/11	H.J.R. 3	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	1	Adopted	50.3%	Authorizing counties to put all collected tax money into one general fund regardless of the purpose or source of the tax.
8	9	maximum tax levies	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Including a removal of the reference to state property taxes. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	9a	provisions relating to local road and bridge levies or bond issues	+	1907/08/06	H.J.R. 18	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	29.9%	Allowing voters in counties or other political subdivisions to approve road and bridge taxes of up to 30¢ per \$100 valuation or the issue of bonds for roads and bridges not to exceed 20% of the assessed value of real property.
8	9a	state highway system and supportive excise and property taxes	+	1923/07/28	H.J.R. 16	38th Leg., R.S., 1923	-	Never submitted to voters	N/A	The proposition was forwarded to newspapers too late for constitutionally required publication. Attorney general opinion 2506 (Jul 09 1923) ruled that an election would be invalid and thus was unnecessary.
8	9-A	Red River County levy of property tax to refund warrants	+	1940/11/05	H.J.R. 45	46th Leg., R.S., 1939	-	Failed	44.7%	
8	10	prohibition against release by the legislature of persons or property from payment of taxes except in case of great public calamity	=	1876/02/15						
8	11	place of assessment of property and value of unrendered property	=	1876/02/15						

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8	12	assessment and collection of taxes in unorganized counties	=	1876/02/15						Assessment and collection, for residents of an unorganized county, by the county to which it is attached judicially. Assessment and collection, for nonresidents of an unorganized county, by the comptroller.
8	12	assessment and collection of taxes in unorganized counties	Δ	1887/08/04	S.S.J.R. 3 (J.R. 5)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	37.7%	Assessment and collection as provided by the legislature.
8	12	assessment and collection of taxes in unorganized counties	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
8	13	tax foreclosure sales and property redemption	=	1876/02/15						
8	13	tax foreclosure sales and property redemption	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 24	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	76.4%	Allowing the legislature to provide for a tax foreclosure sale without the necessity of a court order and changing the basis on which foreclosed property may be redeemed.
8	13	tax foreclosure sales and property redemption	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 19	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	9	Adopted	60.1%	Clarifying redemption rights and revising redemption deadlines and procedures. Eliminating the 1932 provision allowing tax sales without court foreclosure.
8	13	tax foreclosure sales and property redemption	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 51	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	2	Adopted	62.4%	Establishing a two-year period for the redemption of a mineral interest sold for unpaid property taxes at a tax sale.
8	14	election of county tax assessor-collectors	=	1876/02/15						
8	14	election of county tax assessor-collectors	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 21	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	79.7%	Combining the offices of assessor and collector. Same ballot proposition amended 8:16.
8	14	election of county tax assessor-collectors	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing the term of office from two years to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
8	14	election of county tax assessor-collectors	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, incorporating provisions from repealed 8:16 and 8:16a. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
8	15	tax liens and seizure and sale of property	=	1876/02/15						
8	16	sheriff's service as county tax assessor-collector except in counties of population of 10,000 or more	=	1876/02/15						

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8	16	sheriff's service as county tax assessor-collector except in counties of population of 10,000 or more	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 21	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	79.7%	Combining the offices of assessor and collector. Same ballot proposition amended 8:14.
8	16	sheriff's service as county tax assessor-collector except in counties of population of 10,000 or more	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing the term of office from two years to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, and 16:44 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
8	16	sheriff's service as county tax assessor-collector except in counties of population of 10,000 or more	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Substance incorporated in 8:14. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
8	16a	election of county tax assessor-collector in counties of population of less than 10,000	+	1954/11/02	H.J.R. 8	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	11	Adopted	75.0%	
8	16a	election of county tax assessor-collector in counties of population of less than 10,000	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	16a	election of county tax assessor-collector in counties of population of less than 10,000	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Substance incorporated in 8:14. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
8	17	clarification of legislature's taxation powers	=	1876/02/15						
8	18	equalization of valuations and single countywide appraisal of property	=	1876/02/15						Originally just an equalization provision.
8	18	equalization of valuations and single countywide appraisal of property	Δ	1980/11/04	H.J.R. 98	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	3	Adopted	57.6%	Providing for mandatory countywide centralized appraisal for property tax purposes.
8	18	equalization of valuations and single countywide appraisal of property	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 36	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	5	Adopted	61.8%	Authorizing the legislature to allow for a single board of equalization for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consolidated equalizations. Separate H.J.R. 36 ballot propositions amended 8:1 and 8:23.
8	19	exemption of farm products, livestock, and poultry	+	1879/09/02	J.R. 13	16th Leg., R.S., 1879	-	Adopted	Vote totals unknown	Exempting farm products from all taxation.

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8	19	exemption of farm products, livestock, and poultry	Δ	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 49	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	5	Adopted	67.1%	Adding livestock and poultry to the exemption for farm products.
8	19a	property tax exemption for implements of husbandry	+	1982/11/02	S.J.R. 8	67th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1982	3	Adopted	66.9%	
8	19b	authorization to political subdivisions to exempt from taxation commercial fishing boats and other equipment used in commercial fishing	+	1995/11/07	H.J.R. 35	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	13	Failed	38.2%	
8	20	authorization of irrigation districts in certain counties	+	1897/08/03	S.J.R. 7	25th Leg., R.S., 1897	-	Failed	26.6%	
8	20	authorization of irrigation districts in five counties	+	1900/11/06	H.J.R. 35	26th Leg., R.S., 1899	-	Failed	38.6%	
8	20	fair cash market value and discounts for advance payment of property taxes	+	1937/08/23	H.J.R. 23	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	4	Adopted	71.8%	Prohibiting the assessment of any property for property tax purposes at a value greater than its fair cash market value. Granting the legislature the power to provide for certain discounts on the amount of taxes due if paid before the taxes become delinquent.
8	20	fair cash market value and discounts for advance payment of property taxes	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
8	21	truth in taxation and related notice requirements	+	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 1	65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978	tax relief	Adopted	84.5%	Part of tax relief amendment. Prohibiting any increase in property taxes without notice and without a public hearing on the proposed increase. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and 8:1-b and included new 8:1-d-1, 8:22, and 8:23.
8	21	truth in taxation and related notice requirements	Δ	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 81	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	6	Adopted	66.6%	Changing taxpayer notification requirements. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b.
8	22	limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations to no more than the estimated rate of growth of the economy	+	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 1	65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978	tax relief	Adopted	84.5%	Part of tax relief amendment. Restricting the rate of growth in appropriations of state revenue but providing an exception in an emergency. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and 8:1-b and included new 8:1-d-1, 8:21, and 8:23.
8	23	appraisal of property and enforcement of uniform appraisal standards and procedures	+	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 1	65th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1978	tax relief	Adopted	84.5%	Part of tax relief amendment. Prohibiting statewide appraisal of property for property tax purposes. Requiring administrative and judicial enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal, as prescribed by general law, to originate in the county where the tax is imposed. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and 8:1-b and included new 8:1-d-1, 8:21, and 8:22.

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8	23	appraisal of property and enforcement of uniform appraisal standards and procedures	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 36	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	3	Adopted	65.5%	Removing the requirement that the enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal originate in the county where a tax is imposed. Separate H.J.R. 36 ballot propositions amended 8:1 and 8:18.
8	24	dedication of state tax revenue in excess of the growth rate limit on appropriations	+	1981/11/03	H.J.R. 6	67th Leg., 1st C.S., 1981	4	Failed	42.6%	Providing for dedication of the excess revenue to certain water-related purposes and to any purposes determined by the legislature, including the creation of state bond retirement funds. Providing for a bond guaranty program in which the state pledges up to \$500 million to the payment of certain political subdivision water bonds.
8	24	prohibition against personal income tax without voter approval and dedication of proceeds from any such tax to education and property tax relief	+	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 49	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	4	Adopted	69.3%	Requiring voter approval before any law imposing a state income tax or increasing the rate of tax may take effect. Dedicating the revenue from such a tax to the reduction of school district property taxes and to the support of public education. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1.
8	24	prohibition against personal income tax without voter approval and dedication of proceeds from any such tax to education and property tax relief	-	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 38	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	4	Adopted	74.4%	Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and included new 8:24-a, which prohibits the legislature from imposing a tax on the net incomes of individuals.
8	24-a	prohibition against individual income tax	+	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 38	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	4	Adopted	74.4%	Prohibiting the legislature from imposing a tax on the net income of an individual. Same ballot proposition amended 8:1 and repealed 8:24.
8	29	prohibition against imposition of a transfer tax on a transaction that conveys fee simple title to real property	+	2015/11/03	S.J.R. 1	84th Leg., R.S., 2015	1	Adopted	86.4%	Same ballot proposition amended 8:1-b.
8	1975 revision	constitutional revision: finance	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	4	Failed	28.0%	Revising the education provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision amending 8:1-e if Proposition 5 failed. See session laws, p. 3168.
8	1975 revision	constitutional revision: finance	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	5	Failed	25.0%	Revising the finance provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 8 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3169. Including contingent provisions retaining and amending 8:9, and retaining 8:14, 8:16, and 8:16a, all for incorporation within new Article 8 if Proposition 6 failed. See session laws, p. 3176.

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8	1975 revision	constitutional revision: finance	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 8:1-a, 8:9, 8:14, 8:16, and 8:16a. See session laws, p. 3185. The constitutional revision retained the content of some of these sections as part of its adoption of new Articles 8 and 9.
9	1	creation of counties	=	1876/02/15						Generally providing for a minimum county size of 900 square miles in territory exterior to existent counties and a minimum county size of 700 square miles in territory interior to existent counties.
9	1	creation of counties	Δ	1934/11/06	S.J.R. 21	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	25.0%	Generally increasing the minimum county size in territory interior to existent counties to 900 square miles.
9	1	creation of counties	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Removing obsolete references to unorganized territory. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	1-A	regulation of motor vehicles on beaches in counties bordering the Gulf of Mexico or tidewater limits	+	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 19	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	12	Adopted	52.0%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of county regulation of and restrictions on motor vehicles on public beaches.
9	2	removal of county seats	=	1876/02/15						
9	2	removal of county seats	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	2-A	general management and control of county affairs by commissioners court, subject to legislative limitations on powers not specifically granted	+	1934/11/06	H.J.R. 14	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	29.7%	
9	3	adoption of home-rule charters in counties of a minimum size	+	1933/08/26	S.J.R. 3	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Adopted	70.7%	
9	3	adoption of home-rule charters in counties of a minimum size	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
9	4	creation of countywide hospital districts	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 2	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	9	Adopted	61.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation of countywide hospital districts in certain counties.
9	4	creation of countywide hospital districts	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	5	creation of hospital districts in Wichita and Jefferson Counties and in Amarillo	+	1958/11/04	S.J.R. 3	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	9	Adopted	55.9%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation of the specified hospital districts.

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9	5	creation of hospital districts in Wichita and Jefferson Counties and in Amarillo	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 5	70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987	25	Adopted	71.5%	Providing for the expansion of the services of the Amarillo hospital district to certain residents of Randall County and for certain hospital districts to change their boundaries or jurisdictions.
9	5	creation of hospital districts in Wichita and Jefferson Counties and in Amarillo	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	6	creation of hospital district in Lamar County	+	1960/11/08	H.J.R. 39	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	1	Adopted	63.0%	Same ballot proposition included new 9:7 and 9:8.
9	6	creation of hospital district in Lamar County	Δ	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 31	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	2	Adopted	61.7%	Abolishing the district.
9	6	creation of hospital district in Lamar County	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	7	creation of hospital district in Hidalgo County	+	1960/11/08	H.J.R. 39	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	1	Adopted	63.0%	Same ballot proposition included new 9:6 and 9:8.
9	7	creation of hospital district in Hidalgo County	-	2013/11/05	H.J.R. 147	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	8	Adopted	72.4%	Same ballot proposition as, and identical to, S.J.R. 54, 83rd Leg., R.S., 2013.
9	7	creation of hospital district in Hidalgo County	-	2013/11/05	S.J.R. 54	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	8	Adopted	72.4%	Same ballot proposition as, and identical to, H.J.R. 147, 83rd Leg., R.S., 2013.
9	8	creation of hospital district in Comanche County	+	1960/11/08	H.J.R. 39	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	1	Adopted	63.0%	Same ballot proposition included new 9:6 and 9:7.
9	8	creation of hospital district in Comanche County	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	9	creation of hospital districts	+	1962/11/06	H.J.R. 51	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	5	Adopted	50.5%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation, establishment, maintenance, and operation of hospital districts composed of one or more counties or parts of one or more counties.
9	9	creation of hospital districts	Δ	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 48	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	12	Adopted	64.4%	Providing for the dissolution of hospital districts.
9	9	creation of hospital districts	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 34	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	16	Adopted	70.0%	Specifying the legislature's authority to provide for the creation, establishment, maintenance, and operation of hospital districts by general or special law. Same ballot proposition included new 9:9B.
9	9A	hospital district health care services	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 89	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	5	Adopted	56.9%	Authorizing the legislature to determine the health care services a hospital district must provide, a resident's eligibility to receive services, and other relevant health care provisions.
9	9B	creation of hospital districts in counties of population of 75,000 or less	+	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 34	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	16	Adopted	70.0%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation, establishment, maintenance, and operation of hospital districts in counties with the specified population. Same ballot proposition amended 9:9.

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9	10	creation of two hospital districts in Brazoria County and financing of homes for the aged in Titus County	+	1962/11/06	H.J.R. 70	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	9	Failed	49.2%	
9	11	creation of hospital districts in Ochiltree, Castro, Hansford, and Hopkins Counties	+	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 22	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	3	Adopted	54.5%	
9	11	creation of hospital districts in Ochiltree, Castro, Hansford, and Hopkins Counties	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	12	creation, management, and operation of airport authorities	+	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 1	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	2	Adopted	55.5%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the creation, establishment, maintenance, and operation of airport authorities composed of one or more counties.
9	12	creation, management, and operation of airport authorities	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
9	13	participation of municipalities, other political subdivisions, and state-supported entities located within hospital districts in the establishment of mental health, mental retardation, or public health services	+	1967/11/11	H.J.R. 37	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	2	Adopted	62.4%	Clarifying the legislature's authority in providing for the creation, establishment, maintenance, and operation of hospital districts with respect to the provision of local mental health, mental retardation, and public health services.
9	14	county poor house and farm	+	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Redesignation of former 16:8. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
9	1975 revision	constitutional revision: local government	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision adding a new section (county government) to existing Article 9 if Proposition 6 failed. See session laws, p. 3157.
9	1975 revision	constitutional revision: local government	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	4	Failed	28.0%	Revising the education provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision adding a new section (school districts) to existing Article 9 if Proposition 6 failed. See session laws, p. 3167.

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9	1975 revision	constitutional revision: local government	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new Article 9 to replace the existing one. See session laws, p. 3180. Including a contingent provision adding a new section (local road laws) if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3186.
10	1	construction and operation of railroads and connections	=	1876/02/15						
10	1	construction and operation of railroads and connections	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	<u>2</u>	regulation of railroad companies as common carriers	=	1876/02/15						
10	<u>2</u>	regulation of railroad companies as common carriers	Δ	1890/11/04	S.J.R. 16 (J.R. 1)	21st Leg., R.S., 1889	-	Adopted	71.3%	Strengthening the power to regulate railroads.
10	3	railroad offices, bookkeeping, and reporting	=	1876/02/15						
10	3	railroad offices, bookkeeping, and reporting	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	4	rolling stock nonexemption from execution	=	1876/02/15						
10	4	rolling stock nonexemption from execution	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	5	prohibition against railroad consolidation with competing lines	=	1876/02/15						
10	5	prohibition against railroad consolidation with competing lines	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	6	prohibition against consolidation with a railroad company organized outside Texas	=	1876/02/15						
10	6	prohibition against consolidation with a railroad company organized outside Texas	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.

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10	7	required local consent to construction of street railroads	=	1876/02/15						
10	7	required local consent to construction of street railroads	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	8	condition under which railroad corporations may receive the benefit of future legislation	=	1876/02/15						
10	8	condition under which railroad corporations may receive the benefit of future legislation	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	9	encouragement of railroads through, and depots in, county seats	=	1876/02/15						
10	9	encouragement of railroads through, and depots in, county seats	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
10	1975 revision	constitutional revision: deletion of existing Article 10 (railroads) and substitution of new Article 10 (general provisions)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing effectively for the renumbering of existing Article 16 (general provisions) as new Article 10, with numerous changes. See session laws, p. 3187. Including a deletion of 10:2, the only remaining Article 10 section in 1975. See session laws, p. 3193.
11	1	recognition of counties as legal subdivisions of the state	=	1876/02/15						
11	2	construction of jails, courthouses, bridges, and county roads by general law	=	1876/02/15						Originally including establishment of county poor houses and farms by general law.
11	2	construction of jails, courthouses, bridges, and county roads by general law	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Eliminating the reference to county poor houses and farms. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
11	3	prohibition of city or county donations, loans of credit, and subscriptions to corporate capital	=	1876/02/15						

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11	3	prohibition of city or county donations, loans of credit, and subscriptions to corporate capital	Δ	1897/08/03	S.J.R. 8	25th Leg., R.S., 1897	-	Failed	19.3%	Relating to county assistance in the construction of railways.
11	3	prohibition of city or county donations, loans of credit, and subscriptions to corporate capital	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 59	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	19	Adopted	60.4%	Creating an exception to the prohibition for political subdivision investments authorized by law. Same ballot proposition amended 3:52.
11	4	general-law cities	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing for charter by general law for cities and towns with a population of 10,000 or less. Setting maximum property tax rate of 25¢ per \$100 valuation.
11	4	general-law cities	Δ	1909/08/03	S.J.R. 6	31st Leg., R.S., 1909	-	Adopted	69.3%	Lowering the city and town population cap for general law charter to 5,000. Same ballot proposition amended 11:5.
11	4	general-law cities	Δ	1920/11/02	S.J.R. 12	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Adopted	54.4%	Increasing the maximum property tax rate for general-law cities and towns from 25¢ to \$1.50 per \$100 valuation.
11	5	home-rule cities	=	1876/02/15						Originally providing that cities with a population greater than 10,000 could have their charters granted or amended by special act of the legislature. Setting maximum property tax rate of \$2.50 per \$100 valuation for such cities.
11	5	home-rule cities	Δ	1909/08/03	S.J.R. 6	31st Leg., R.S., 1909	-	Adopted	69.3%	Lowering the city population threshold for special law charter to 5,000. Same ballot proposition amended 11:4.
11	5	home-rule cities	Δ	1912/11/05	H.J.R. 10	32nd Leg., R.S., 1911	-	Adopted	73.6%	Home-rule amendment eliminating legislative charter actions for cities above the population threshold and instead authorizing charter adoption or charter amendment by local vote. Prohibiting a city charter from being altered, amended, or repealed more often than every two years.
11	5	home-rule cities	Δ	1934/11/06	H.J.R. 41	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	26.9%	Relating to the frequency of opportunity for alteration, amendment, or repeal of a home-rule city charter.
11	5	home-rule cities	Δ	1991/11/05	H.J.R. 114	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	1	Adopted	81.1%	Allowing home-rule cities whose population has fallen below the population threshold to amend their charters.
11	5	home-rule cities	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 26	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	5	Adopted	57.8%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of cities to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities or counties without meeting certain assessment and sinking fund requirements. Same ballot proposition amended 11:7.

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11	5(a)	levy by cities, towns, and villages of property taxes sufficient to pay the principal and interest on subsequent general obligation issues	+	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 29	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	8	Failed	37.0%	
11	6	taxes to pay interest and create sinking fund for indebtedness	=	1876/02/15						
11	6	taxes to pay interest and create sinking fund for indebtedness	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
11	<u>7</u>	tax levies for seawalls, breakwaters, and other construction in counties and cities bordering the Gulf of Mexico	=	1876/02/15						
11	<u>7</u>	tax levies for seawalls, breakwaters, and other construction in counties and cities bordering the Gulf of Mexico	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 5	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	67.6%	Reducing the requisite local vote in an election on the levy and collection of a tax to finance such structures from two-thirds of resident taxpayers to two-thirds of those taxpayers actually voting.
11	<u>7</u>	tax levies for seawalls, breakwaters, and other construction in counties and cities bordering the Gulf of Mexico	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 12	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	5	Adopted	63.0%	Reducing the requisite local tax vote to a simple majority.
11	<u>7</u>	tax levies for seawalls, breakwaters, and other construction in counties and cities bordering the Gulf of Mexico	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, removing provisions limiting participation in certain tax elections to resident taxpayers and instead opening such participation to all qualified voters. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
11	<u>7</u>	tax levies for seawalls, breakwaters, and other construction in counties and cities bordering the Gulf of Mexico	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 26	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	5	Adopted	57.8%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of cities or counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities or counties without meeting certain tax and sinking fund requirements. Same ballot proposition amended 11:5.

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11	7a	seawall construction by counties bordering the Gulf of Mexico	+	1914/11/03	S.J.R. 22	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	37.7%	See 11:7.
11	8	donation of portion of public domain to aid in construction of seawalls or breakwaters	=	1876/02/15						
11	9	exemption of county and city public property from forced sale and taxation	=	1876/02/15						
11	10	cities and towns as independent school districts	=	1876/02/15						
11	10	cities and towns as independent school districts	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
11	11	validation of certain county courthouse, jail, and bridge bonds purchased as investments of the permanent school fund	+	1897/08/03	H.J.R. 20	25th Leg., R.S., 1897	-	Failed	43.5%	
11	11	maximum terms of office for elected and appointed city officers	+	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 48	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	5	Adopted	54.2%	Authorizing a home-rule city or a general-law city to provide for terms of office of more than two years but not more than four years for elected and appointed officers. Providing that such officers are subject to automatic resignation.
11	11	maximum terms of office for elected and appointed city officers	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
11	11	maximum terms of office for elected and appointed city officers	Δ	2013/11/05	H.J.R. 87	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	7	Adopted	74.4%	Authorizing a home-rule municipality to which 11:11(b) applies to provide in its charter the procedure to fill a vacancy on its governing body for which the unexpired term is 12 months or less.
11	12	local public expenditures for relocation or replacement of sanitation sewer or water laterals on private property	+	1983/11/08	S.J.R. 17	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	10	Adopted	52.4%	Providing for the legislature's authorization of a city or town to expend public funds and levy assessments for sewer laterals.
11	12	local public expenditures for relocation or replacement of sanitation sewer or water laterals on private property	Δ	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 54	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	3	Adopted	54.0%	Providing also for water laterals.

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11	<u>13</u>	legislative classification of municipal functions as governmental or proprietary	+	1987/11/03	<u>S.J.R. 26</u>	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	17	Adopted	54.5%	Authorizing the legislature to define municipal functions as governmental or proprietary.
11	1975 revision	constitutional revision: Article 11 (municipal corporations)	Δ	1975/11/04	<u>S.J.R. 11</u>	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	5	Failed	25.0%	Revising the finance provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 11:3 and 11:9. See session laws, p. 3176.
11	1975 revision	constitutional revision: Article 11 (municipal corporations)	-	1975/11/04	<u>S.J.R. 11</u>	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of Article 11 but retaining 11:3 and 11:9 and incorporating them in new Article 9 if Proposition 5 failed. See session laws, p. 3185. The proposition retained some of the content of Article 11 as part of its adoption of new Article 9.
12	<u>1</u>	prohibition against the creation of private corporations except by general law	=	1876/02/15						
12	<u>2</u>	protection of the public and individual stockholders in the creation of private corporations	=	1876/02/15						
12	3	state regulation of freights, tolls, wharfage, and fares	=	1876/02/15						
12	3	state regulation of freights, tolls, wharfage, and fares	-	1969/08/05	<u>H.J.R. 3</u>	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
12	4	prevention and punishment of unauthorized collection of freights, tolls, wharfage, and fares	=	1876/02/15						
12	4	prevention and punishment of unauthorized collection of freights, tolls, wharfage, and fares	-	1969/08/05	<u>H.J.R. 3</u>	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
12	5	legislative amendment, modification, or repeal of laws relating to freights, tolls, wharfage, and fares	=	1876/02/15						

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12	5	legislative amendment, modification, or repeal of laws relating to freights, tolls, wharfage, and fares	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
12	6	limitations on corporate issues of stocks and bonds or increase of stock or indebtedness	=	1876/02/15						
12	6	limitations on corporate issues of stocks and bonds or increase of stock or indebtedness	-	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 57	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	7	Adopted	52.9%	
12	7	providing that 12:1 et seq., did not affect existing rights	=	1876/02/15						
12	7	providing that 12:1 et seq., did not affect existing rights	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
12	1975 revision	constitutional revision: deletion of existing Article 12 (private corporations)	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of Article 12. See session laws, p. 3193. The proposition retained some of the content of Article 12 as part of its adoption of new Article 10.
13	1	finances, penalties, escheats, and forfeitures of lands accrued previously to the Republic of Texas or State of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
13	1	finances, penalties, escheats, and forfeitures of lands accrued previously to the Republic of Texas or State of Texas	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	2	treatment of land titles or land rights issued prior to November 13, 1835, but not recorded, archived, or in possession of the grantee	=	1876/02/15						

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13	2	treatment of land titles or land rights issued prior to November 13, 1835, but not recorded, archived, or in possession of the grantee	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	3	presumptions on nonpayment of taxes under land title claims dated prior to November 13, 1835, but not recorded or archived	=	1876/02/15						
13	3	presumptions on nonpayment of taxes under land title claims dated prior to November 13, 1835, but not recorded or archived	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	4	prohibition on recording of land titles or land rights issued prior to November 13, 1835, but not previously recorded or archived	=	1876/02/15						
13	4	prohibition on recording of land titles or land rights issued prior to November 13, 1835, but not previously recorded or archived	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	5	voiding of claims, locations, surveys, grants, and titles previously declared void by the Republic of Texas or State of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
13	5	voiding of claims, locations, surveys, grants, and titles previously declared void by the Republic of Texas or State of Texas	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	6	detection and conviction of forgers of land titles	=	1876/02/15						

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13	6	detection and conviction of forgers of land titles	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	7	construction of 13:2 through 13:5 with respect to certain land claimants	=	1876/02/15						
13	7	construction of 13:2 through 13:5 with respect to certain land claimants	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
13	1975 revision	constitutional revision: deletion of existing Article 13 (Spanish and Mexican land titles)	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of Article 13 (Proposition 7 also included such deletion). See session laws, p. 3147. By 1975, because of the "deadwood amendment" of 1969, the article contained no sections.
13	1975 revision	constitutional revision: deletion of existing Article 13 (Spanish and Mexican land titles)	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of Article 13 (Proposition 1 also included such deletion). See session laws, p. 3193.
14	<u>1</u>	General Land Office	=	1876/02/15						
14	2	revival, survey, and location of genuine land certificates	=	1876/02/15						
14	2	revival, survey, and location of genuine land certificates	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
14	3	land grants to railways	=	1876/02/15						
14	3	land grants to railways	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
14	4	sale of public lands to actual settlers	=	1876/02/15						
14	4	sale of public lands to actual settlers	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
14	5	alienation of railroad grants	=	1876/02/15						
14	5	alienation of railroad grants	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
14	6	grants to heads of families and single men	=	1876/02/15						
14	6	grants to heads of families and single men	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.

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14	7	release of mines and minerals to owners of the soil	=	1876/02/15						
14	7	release of mines and minerals to owners of the soil	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
14	8	extension of time to comply with an 1870 act relating to the validation of certain Spanish and Mexican land grants	=	1876/02/15						
14	8	extension of time to comply with an 1870 act relating to the validation of certain Spanish and Mexican land grants	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
14	1975 revision	constitutional revision: deletion of existing Article 14 (public lands and General Land Office)	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of Article 14 (Proposition 7 also included such deletion conditionally). See session laws, p. 3147. By 1975, the only remaining section in the article was 14:1 (General Land Office). Proposition 1 included a comparable section (new 4:20) as part of its adoption of new Article 4. See session laws, p. 3144.
14	1975 revision	constitutional revision: deletion of existing Article 14 (public lands and General Land Office)	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution. Including a deletion of Article 14, but also including a contingent provision moving 14:1 to existing Article 4 if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3193.
15	<u>1</u>	vesting of power of impeachment in the house of representatives	=	1876/02/15						
15	<u>2</u>	vesting of trial of impeachment in the senate for major officeholders	=	1876/02/15						Providing for impeachment of governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, treasurer, land commissioner, comptroller, and certain judges.
15	<u>2</u>	vesting of trial of impeachment in the senate for major officeholders	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.

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15	3	oath of impartiality and requisite two-thirds vote of senators present for conviction on impeachment	=	1876/02/15						
15	4	judgment in cases of impeachment and susceptibility of a party convicted on impeachment to indictment, trial, and punishment	=	1876/02/15						
15	5	suspension from office pending impeachment and provisional appointment to fill the vacancy pending a decision	=	1876/02/15						
15	6	removal of judges of district court by supreme court	=	1876/02/15						
15	7	trial and removal of officers for whom modes of removal are not provided constitutionally	=	1876/02/15						
15	8	removal of judges by governor on address of two-thirds of each legislative chamber	=	1876/02/15						
15	9	removal by governor of appointees with advice and consent of the senate and power to call senate special sessions for that purpose	+	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 8	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	6	Adopted	69.8%	Providing a procedure for the removal of a gubernatorial appointee.
15	1975 revision	constitutional revision: Article 15 (impeachment)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, including repeals of 15:1, 15:2, 15:3, 15:4, and 15:5. See session laws, p. 3148.
15	1975 revision	constitutional revision: Article 15 (impeachment)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 15:6 and 15:8, as well as a contingent provision amending 15:2 if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3159.

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15	1975 revision	constitutional revision: Article 15 (impeachment)	-	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of Article 15 generally, as well as contingent provisions moving 15:6 and 15:8 to existing Article 5 if Proposition 2 failed, and moving 15:1, 15:2, 15:3, 15:4, and 15:5 to existing Article 3 if Proposition 1 failed. See session laws, p. 3193. The constitutional revision treated removal from office in new 3:14 and new 10:6. See session laws, pp. 3139, 3187.
16	<u>1</u>	official oath for elected and appointed officers	=	1876/02/15						
16	<u>1</u>	official oath for elected and appointed officers	Δ	1938/11/08	H.J.R. 20	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	-	Adopted	55.6%	Eliminating language relating to dueling with deadly weapons from the oath of office. Eliminating certain alternative language for appointed officers. Requiring those taking the oath to swear to “preserve, protect, and defend” federal and state laws and constitutions.
16	<u>1</u>	official oath for elected and appointed officers	Δ	1956/11/06	H.J.R. 46	54th Leg., R.S., 1955	6	Adopted	83.3%	Specifying separate oaths for elected and appointed officers.
16	<u>1</u>	official oath for elected and appointed officers	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 40	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	7	Adopted	69.2%	Removing the bribery language from the oral oath and placing it instead in a written oath that must be signed.
16	<u>1</u>	official oath for elected and appointed officers	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Eliminating separate oaths for elected and appointed officers. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	<u>2</u>	exclusions of persons convicted of bribery, perjury, forgery, or other high crimes from office	=	1876/02/15						Originally also including exclusions from suffrage and jury service and providing for fair election regulation.
16	<u>2</u>	exclusions of persons convicted of bribery, perjury, forgery, or other high crimes from office	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving the jury service exclusion to 5:14, the suffrage exclusion to 6:1, and the fair election regulation to 6:2. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	3	discharge of misdemeanor fines and costs by manual labor	=	1876/02/15						
16	3	discharge of misdemeanor fines and costs by manual labor	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	4	certain prohibition against dueling with deadly weapons	=	1876/02/15						
16	4	certain prohibition against dueling with deadly weapons	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.

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16	5	conviction of bribery as a disqualification for office	=	1876/02/15						
16	6	restriction on appropriations for private purposes and provisions for state participation in programs financed with private or federal funds for the rehabilitation of the blind, crippled, or physically or mentally handicapped	=	1876/02/15						Prohibiting appropriations for private or individual purposes.
16	6	restriction on appropriations for private purposes and provisions for state participation in programs financed with private or federal funds for the rehabilitation of the blind, crippled, or physically or mentally handicapped	Δ	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 33	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	15	Adopted	73.8%	Permitting the channeling of private and federal funds through the state for use by certain entities to aid the handicapped.
16	7	prohibition against legislative issue of paper money	=	1876/02/15						
16	7	prohibition against legislative issue of paper money	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	8	county manual labor poor house and farm	=	1876/02/15						
16	8	county manual labor poor house and farm	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Redesignated as 9:14. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	9	nonforfeiture of residence, for purposes of suffrage, election, or appointment, because of absence on public business	=	1876/02/15						
16	10	deductions from salaries of public officers for neglect of duty	=	1876/02/15						
16	11	usury and rates of interest	=	1876/02/15						Setting the maximum annual interest rate at 8% or, if a greater interest rate is contractually agreed to by parties, at 12%.

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16	11	usury and rates of interest	Δ	1891/08/11	H.J.R. 1	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	76.2%	Decreasing the maximum annual interest rate from 8% to 6% or, for contractually agreed upon interest rates, from 12% to 10%.
16	11	usury and rates of interest	Δ	1960/11/08	H.J.R. 6	56th Leg., R.S., 1959	4	Adopted	74.7%	Granting the legislature authority to classify loans and lenders, license and regulate lenders, define interest, and fix maximum interest rates. Retaining previous maximum interest rates in the absence of legislation fixing new maximum interest rates.
16	11	usury and rates of interest	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. Removing the legislature's authority to classify loans and lenders and to license and regulate lenders. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	11	usury and rates of interest	Δ	2005/11/08	S.J.R. 21	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	5	Failed	43.4%	Authorizing the legislature, with respect to commercial loans, to create exemptions from the maximum rates of interest.
16	12	ineligibility of members of Congress or officers of the United States or of a foreign power for state office	=	1876/02/15						
16	13	arbitration laws	=	1876/02/15						
16	13	arbitration laws	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	13	unopposed candidate for office	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 62	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	8	Adopted	56.4%	For an office for which the constitution requires an election, authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office. Similar to 16:13A.
16	13A	unopposed candidate for office of political subdivision	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 59	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	18	Adopted	53.1%	For an office of a political subdivision for which the constitution requires an election, authorizing the legislature to permit a person to take office without an election if the person is the only candidate to qualify in an election for that office. Similar to 16:13.
16	14	residency and office requirements for civil, district, and county officers	=	1876/02/15						
16	15	separate and community property of spouses	=	1876/02/15						Providing for the separate property of a wife.
16	15	separate and community property of spouses	Δ	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 13	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	3	Adopted	78.6%	Relating to the ability of spouses to convert existing community property to separate property by agreement.
16	15	separate and community property of spouses	Δ	1980/11/04	H.J.R. 54	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	9	Adopted	70.5%	Relating to prenuptial agreements, the treatment of gifts of income-producing property, and the partitioning of future income from separate property. Making the section gender-neutral by replacing "wife" with "spouse."

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16	15	separate and community property of spouses	Δ	1987/11/03	S.J.R. 35	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	12	Adopted	84.7%	Permitting spouses to hold community property with rights of survivorship.
16	15	separate and community property of spouses	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 36	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	15	Adopted	67.4%	Permitting spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	=	1876/02/15						Prohibiting the future creation, renewal, or extension of corporate bodies with banking or discounting privileges.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	Δ	1904/11/08	S.H.J.R. Nos. 2 and 5	28th Leg., R.S., 1903	-	Adopted	56.4%	Requiring the legislature to authorize the incorporation of state banks under a comprehensive system of state regulation.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	Δ	1937/08/23	S.J.R. 9	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	1	Adopted	63.5%	Relieving bank stockholders of double liability.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	Δ	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 49	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	6	Failed	37.7%	Exercise of banking and discounting privileges by use of electronic devices or machines.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	Δ	1980/11/04	S.J.R. 35	66th Leg., R.S., 1979	1	Adopted	66.6%	Authorizing the legislature to permit banks to operate unmanned teller machines.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	Δ	1984/11/06	H.J.R. 29	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	1	Adopted	74.9%	Giving state banks all the rights and privileges granted to national banks located in Texas.
16	16	state banks and savings and loan associations	Δ	1986/11/04	S.J.R. 4	69th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1986	4	Adopted	73.3%	Permitting branch banking under certain circumstances.
16	17	service of officers pending qualification of successors	=	1876/02/15						Requiring all state officers to continue to serve until qualification of their successors.
16	17	service of officers pending qualification of successors	Δ	2017/11/07	S.J.R. 34	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	3	Adopted	83.2%	Limiting the service of certain gubernatorial appointees after the expiration of the person's term of office.
16	18	rights of property and action	=	1876/02/15						
16	18	rights of property and action	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	19	qualifications of jurors	=	1876/02/15						
16	19	qualifications of jurors	Δ	1949/11/08	S.J.R. 4	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	10	Failed	44.6%	Allowing women to serve on juries. S.J.R. 4 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
16	19	qualifications of jurors	Δ	1954/11/02	H.J.R. 16	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	7	Adopted	57.4%	Requiring women to serve on juries.
16	19	qualifications of jurors	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving the bulk of the section to new 5:14. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.

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16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	=	1876/02/15						Providing for local-option prohibition on the county, justice precinct, town, or city level.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1887/08/04	H.J.R. 2 (J.R. 1)	20th Leg., R.S., 1887	-	Failed	36.9%	Providing for statewide prohibition, which was finally adopted in 1919.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1891/08/11	H.J.R. 12	22nd Leg., R.S., 1891	-	Adopted	53.3%	Providing for local-option prohibition in county subdivisions designated by the county commissioners court.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1911/07/22	H.J.R. 2	32nd Leg., R.S., 1911	-	Failed	49.3%	Providing for statewide prohibition, which was finally adopted in 1919.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1919/05/24	H.J.R. 1	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Adopted	53.3%	Providing for statewide prohibition, which was later rescinded.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1933/08/26	H.J.R. 43	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Adopted	63.0%	Allowing the sale, on a local-option basis, of beer and wine with an alcohol content not exceeding 3.2%.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1935/08/24	S.J.R. 3	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Adopted	54.3%	Ending prohibition, prohibiting open saloons, authorizing the legislature to regulate liquor, and providing for local-option elections.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1936/11/03	S.J.R. 3-a	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	1	Failed	39.8%	Giving the State of Texas exclusive right to purchase liquor at wholesale and sell it at retail.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	1970/11/03	S.J.R. 10	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	2	Adopted	51.7%	Authorizing the legislature to enact a mixed beverage law regulating the sale of such beverages on a local-option election basis. Repealing the prohibition against open saloons.
16	20	regulation of alcohol, mixed beverages, and intoxicating liquors	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 85	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	11	Adopted	62.4%	Allowing the legislature to enact laws authorizing and governing the operation of wineries, notwithstanding the local option.
16	21	contracts for public printing and binding and legislative repairs and furnishings; lowest responsible bidder requirement	=	1876/02/15						Requiring that most state government paper, stationery, printing, and fuel be supplied under contract by the lowest responsible bidder, providing an exception for proclamations and printing done at the Deaf and Dumb Asylum. Providing likewise for the repair and furnishing of legislative offices. Conflict-of-interest prohibition for such contracts, applicable to state officials generally. Requiring that all such contracts be subject to approval by the governor, secretary of state, and comptroller.

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16	21	contracts for public printing and binding and legislative repairs and furnishings; lowest responsible bidder requirement	Δ	1907/08/06	H.J.R. 24	30th Leg., R.S., 1907	-	Failed	20.1%	Removing the lowest responsible bidder requirement and instead requiring state government printing, publishing, stationery, paper, and fuel be done and supplied as provided by law.
16	21	contracts for public printing and binding and legislative repairs and furnishings; lowest responsible bidder requirement	Δ	1968/11/05	H.J.R. 49	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	8	Failed	49.6%	Removing certain provisions relating to purchase of fuel and refurbishing the rooms and halls of the legislature and the requirement that the governor, secretary of state, and comptroller approve certain contracts.
16	21	contracts for public printing and binding and legislative repairs and furnishings; lowest responsible bidder requirement	Δ	1978/11/07	S.J.R. 50	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	1	Adopted	73.2%	Updating the 1876 exception to competitive bidding relating to materials and services supplied by the Deaf and Dumb Asylum. Replacing it with language relating to nonprofit rehabilitation facilities providing sheltered employment to the handicapped. Eliminating the requirement that contracts be subject to the approval of the governor, secretary of state, and comptroller.
16	22	fence laws	=	1876/02/15						
16	22	fence laws	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving the provision to 3:56. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	23	regulation of livestock and protection of stock raisers	=	1876/02/15						
16	23	regulation of livestock and protection of stock raisers	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	24	legislature to make provisions for building roads and bridges	=	1876/02/15						
16	25	prohibition against drawbacks and rebates	=	1876/02/15						
16	26	liability for damages in cases of homicide	=	1876/02/15						
16	27	elections to fill vacancies limited to the filling of unexpired terms	=	1876/02/15						
16	28	garnishment of wages	=	1876/02/15						Prohibiting garnishment of wages.
16	28	garnishment of wages	Δ	1983/11/08	H.J.R. 1	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	6	Adopted	79.4%	Allowing the garnishment of wages for the enforcement of court-ordered child support.
16	28	garnishment of wages	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 16	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	7	Adopted	67.4%	Allowing the garnishment of wages for the enforcement of court-ordered spousal maintenance.

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16	29	prohibition against barratry	=	1876/02/15						
16	29	prohibition against barratry	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1894/11/06	S.J.R. 8	23rd Leg., R.S., 1893	-	Adopted	82.7%	Adding provisions relating to six-year staggered terms of railroad commission members.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1934/11/06	H.J.R. 42	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	29.0%	Relating to the terms of office of certain city officers.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1982/11/02	H.J.R. 77	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	4	Adopted	80.9%	Authorizing the legislature to provide terms of office not to exceed four years for members of governing boards of certain water districts and conservation and reclamation districts.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 4	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	6	Adopted	63.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide terms of office not to exceed four years for members of governing boards of hospital districts.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.

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16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 74	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	10	Failed	47.9%	Providing that the commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 95	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	8	Failed	47.3%	Providing that the adjutant general serves at the pleasure of the governor.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	2005/11/08	H.J.R. 79	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	9	Failed	46.7%	Providing for terms of office for board members of a regional mobility authority.
16	30	terms of offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution, including that of a commissioner's office in the Railroad Commission of Texas	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 85	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	10	Adopted	73.1%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for members of a governing board of an emergency services district to serve terms not to exceed four years.
16	30a	state board memberships and terms of office	+	1912/11/05	H.J.R. 9	32nd Leg., R.S., 1911	-	Adopted	71.3%	Authorizing the legislature to set six-year staggered terms for boards of regents, trustees, or managers, with one-third of the members' terms expiring every two years.
16	30a	state board memberships and terms of office	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 29	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	14	Adopted	73.2%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for governing boards of an odd number of three or more members (but not necessarily a multiple of three).
16	30a	salaries and compensation of the governor, other officers, and legislators	+	1927/08/01	S.J.R. 33	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	11.2%	Duplicate section numbering. Repealing all preceding constitutional provisions fixing or limiting the salary or compensation of state officers and legislators but retaining existing salaries, compensation, and reimbursement until otherwise provided by law. Limiting legislators to a maximum annual salary of \$1,500 plus travel expenses to and from each legislative session. Providing for an annual salary of \$10,000 for the governor, plus use of the Governor's Mansion.

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16	30b	terms of office for certain city appointive offices subject to civil service	+	1940/11/05	H.J.R. 8	46th Leg., R.S., 1939	-	Adopted	60.1%	Prohibiting the application of the two-year limit in 16:30 to appointive civil service offices. Making the terms of such offices subject to civil service laws or applicable municipal charter provisions.
16	30c	terms of office of conservation and reclamation district directors to not exceed six years	+	1966/11/08	H.J.R. 21	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	4	Failed	48.5%	
16	31	practitioners of medicine	=	1876/02/15						
16	32	Board of Health and Vital Statistics	=	1876/02/15						
16	32	Board of Health and Vital Statistics	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	=	1876/02/15						
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1926/11/02	S.J.R. 7	39th Leg., R.S., 1925	-	Adopted	57.3%	Providing an exception for National Guard, National Guard Reserve, and U.S. reserve officers and enlistees. Same ballot proposition amended 16:40.
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 1	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	63.3%	Providing an exception for retired officers and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Army, Navy, and Marine Corps. Same ballot proposition amended 6:1 and 16:40.
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1942/11/03	S.J.R. 20	47th Leg., R.S., 1941	-	Failed	42.8%	Providing an exception for U.S. Army or Navy officers assigned to duties in state institutions of higher education.
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1962/11/06	S.J.R. 12	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	10	Failed	45.1%	Providing an exception for retired officers and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Air Force and Coast Guard. Allowing certain state employees to serve in advisory roles with other government agencies with reimbursement of expenses.
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1967/11/11	H.J.R. 27	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	6	Adopted	51.5%	Providing an exception for officers and enlisted personnel of the Air National Guard, Air National Guard Reserve, and Air Force Reserve and for retired officers and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Air Force. Permitting nonelective state officers and employees to serve in other nonelective state or federal positions where there is no conflict of interest and the state benefits. Prohibiting dual office-holding for legislators.
16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 20	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	9	Failed	42.4%	Providing an exception for directors of soil and water conservation districts, and prohibiting members of the legislature from serving as directors of such districts. Same ballot proposition amended 16:40.

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16	33	prohibition against salary or compensation payments to dual officeholders	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 29	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	12	Adopted	51.3%	Moving the exceptions to 16:40.
16	34	acquisition of forts by the United States	=	1876/02/15						
16	34	acquisition of forts by the United States	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	35	wage protection of laborers on public works	=	1876/02/15						
16	35	wage protection of laborers on public works	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	36	payment of schoolteachers for service prior to 1876	=	1876/02/15						
16	36	payment of schoolteachers for service prior to 1876	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	37	enforcement of liens with respect to mechanics, artisans, and material men	=	1876/02/15						
16	38	commissioner of insurance, statistics, and history	=	1876/02/15						
16	38	commissioner of insurance, statistics, and history	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	39	appropriations for historical memorials	=	1876/02/15						
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	=	1876/02/15						Providing an exception for justices of the peace, county commissioners, notaries public, and postmasters.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	1926/11/02	S.J.R. 7	39th Leg., R.S., 1925	-	Adopted	57.3%	Providing an exception for National Guard, National Guard Reserve, and U.S. reserve officers and enlistees. Same ballot proposition amended 16:33.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	1932/11/08	H.J.R. 1	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	63.3%	Providing an exception for retired officers and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Army, Navy, and Marine Corps. Same ballot proposition amended 6:1 and 16:33.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 20	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	9	Failed	42.4%	Providing an exception for directors of soil and water conservation districts. See adopted 16:40 (1972). Same ballot proposition amended 16:33.

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16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	1972/11/07	S.J.R. 29	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	12	Adopted	51.3%	Providing an exception for retired officers and enlisted personnel of the U.S. Air Force and Coast Guard and for the officers and directors of soil and water conservation districts. Allowing state employees to serve without salary on the governing boards of school districts, cities, towns, and other local governmental districts. Moving and modifying the dual officeholding exception for nonelective offices and positions from 16:33.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 36	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	1	Failed	36.7%	Allowing a person to hold the office of municipal court judge for more than one city simultaneously. See also failed 16:40 (2019).
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	1999/11/02	S.J.R. 26	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	5	Failed	45.4%	Allowing state employees to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 85	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	11	Adopted	66.5%	Allowing current and retired public school teachers and retired public school administrators to receive compensation for serving on the governing bodies of school districts, cities, towns, or other local governmental districts, including water districts.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	2003/09/13	S.J.R. 19	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	21	Adopted	52.3%	Allowing current and retired faculty members of a public college or university to receive compensation for service on the governing body of a water district.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 127	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	7	Adopted	73.1%	Providing an exception for officers and enlisted members of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force.
16	40	prohibition against dual office holding, with certain exceptions	Δ	2019/11/05	H.J.R. 72	86th Leg., R.S., 2019	1	Failed	34.6%	Permitting a person to hold more than one office as a municipal judge at the same time. See also failed 16:40 (1997).
16	41	bribery and acceptance of bribes as punishable offenses	=	1876/02/15						
16	42	inebriate asylum	=	1876/02/15						
16	42	inebriate asylum	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	43	exemptions from public duty or service	=	1876/02/15						
16	43	exemptions from public duty or service	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup, moving the provision to 3:56. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	=	1876/02/15						

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16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing terms of office from two to four years. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, and 8:16 and included new 5:30, 16:64, and 16:65.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1982/11/02	H.J.R. 119	67th Leg., R.S., 1981	5	Adopted	67.3%	Providing for the voter-approved abolishment of the office of county treasurer in Tarrant and Bee Counties.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1984/11/06	S.J.R. 20	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	4	Adopted	67.7%	Providing for the voter-approved abolishment of the office of county treasurer in Bexar and Collin Counties.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1985/11/05	S.J.R. 27	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	14	Adopted	69.9%	Abolishing the office of county treasurer in Andrews County. Providing for the voter-approved abolishment of the office of county treasurer in El Paso County and the office of county surveyor in Collin, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Henderson, and Randall Counties.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 35	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	15	Adopted	69.4%	Abolishing the office of county treasurer in Gregg County. Providing for the voter-approved abolishment of the office of county treasurer in Fayette and Nueces Counties.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 16	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	20	Adopted	70.9%	Providing for the voter-approved abolishment of the office of county surveyor in Bexar, Cass, Ector, Garza, Harris, Smith, and Webb Counties.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 21	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	6	Adopted	76.2%	Abolishing the office of county surveyor in Jackson County.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 22	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	8	Adopted	76.8%	Providing for the voter-approved abolishment of the office of county surveyor in McLennan County.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1993/11/02	H.J.R. 37	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	15	Adopted	86.0%	Establishing a local option method for abolishing the office of county surveyor.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 104	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	4	Adopted	78.8%	Repealing the provision that abolished the office of county surveyor in Jackson County (16:44 (1993, H.J.R. 21)). See comments on 3:23a (1997) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.
16	44	county treasurer and county surveyor	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Incorporating past abolishment actions by reference and deleting the county-specific abolishment language. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	45	records of the history of Texas	=	1876/02/15						
16	45	records of the history of Texas	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	46	organization of the militia	=	1876/02/15						
16	46	organization of the militia	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	47	conscientious scruples with respect to bearing arms	=	1876/02/15						

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16	47	conscientious scruples with respect to bearing arms	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	48	continuance in force of existing laws	=	1876/02/15						
16	49	protection of personal property from forced sale	=	1876/02/15						
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	=	1876/02/15						Originally relating to the protection of a family homestead from forced sale.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	1973/11/06	H.J.R. 7	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	2	Adopted	82.1%	Extending protection to homesteads of single adults. Providing that a family homestead may not be abandoned without the consent of both spouses. Same ballot proposition amended 16:51.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 46	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	4	Adopted	51.4%	Permitting an encumbrance to be fixed on homestead property for a debt resulting from an owelty of partition or the refinance of a lien against the property.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	1997/11/04	H.J.R. 31	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	8	Adopted	59.6%	Expanding the types of liens for home equity loans that a lender may place against a homestead, including reverse mortgages.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	1999/11/02	S.J.R. 12	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	2	Adopted	64.2%	Revising reverse mortgage provisions.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 5	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	16	Adopted	58.7%	Allowing the forced sale of a homestead for debts when a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home is converted to and refinanced as a real property lien. Revising a deadline relating to the work and material exception to homestead protection.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2003/09/13	S.J.R. 42	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	16	Adopted	65.4%	Authorizing a home equity line of credit, providing for administrative interpretation of home equity lending law, and otherwise relating to the making, refinancing, repayment, and enforcement of home equity loans.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 23	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	6	Adopted	70.9%	Permitting refinancing of a home equity loan with a reverse mortgage.

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16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2005/11/08	S.J.R. 7	79th Leg., R.S., 2005	7	Adopted	59.7%	Providing additional methods, while also setting new restrictions, on the drawing of line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 72	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	8	Adopted	77.6%	Clarifying provisions relating to the making of a home equity loan and the use of home equity loan proceeds.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2013/11/05	S.J.R. 18	83rd Leg., R.S., 2013	5	Adopted	62.6%	Authorizing the making of a reverse mortgage loan for the purchase of a homestead and amending certain requirements in connection with a reverse mortgage loan.
16	50	protection of homestead from forced sale; requirements for obligations secured by homestead	Δ	2017/11/07	S.J.R. 60	85th Leg., R.S., 2017	2	Adopted	68.7%	Establishing a lower amount for expenses that can be charged to a borrower and removing certain financing expense limitations for a home equity loan, establishing certain authorized lenders to make a home equity loan, changing certain options for the refinancing of home equity loans, changing the threshold for an advance of a home equity line of credit, and allowing home equity loans on agricultural homesteads.
16	51	definition of homestead, including acreage and uses	=	1876/02/15						
16	51	definition of homestead, including acreage and uses	Δ	1970/11/03	S.J.R. 32	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	6	Adopted	61.7%	Increasing from \$5,000 to \$10,000 the value of an urban homestead protected from forced sale.
16	51	definition of homestead, including acreage and uses	Δ	1973/11/06	H.J.R. 7	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	2	Adopted	82.1%	Making a conforming change in regard to same ballot proposition's amendment of 16:50.
16	51	definition of homestead, including acreage and uses	Δ	1983/11/08	H.J.R. 105	68th Leg., R.S., 1983	2	Adopted	60.6%	Establishing a one-acre limit on an urban homestead protected from forced sale and deleting the \$10,000 limit on the value of such a homestead.
16	51	definition of homestead, including acreage and uses	Δ	1999/11/02	S.J.R. 22	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	6	Adopted	67.5%	Increasing the limit on an urban homestead to 10 acres, requiring an urban homestead be used as a home, and preventing the overburdening of a homestead.
16	52	descent and distribution of homestead	=	1876/02/15						
16	53	process and writs not executed or returned at adoption of constitution	=	1876/02/15						

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16	53	process and writs not executed or returned at adoption of constitution	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	54	indigent lunatics	=	1876/02/15						
16	54	indigent lunatics	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	55	pensions to soldiers or volunteers of Texas Revolution and to signers of Texas declaration of independence	=	1876/02/15						
16	55	pensions to soldiers or volunteers of Texas Revolution and to signers of Texas declaration of independence	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	56	appropriations for development and dissemination of information concerning Texas resources	=	1876/02/15						Prohibiting public expenditures to promote immigration to Texas.
16	56	appropriations for development and dissemination of information concerning Texas resources	Δ	1958/11/04	S.J.R. 4	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	7	Adopted	51.7%	Replacing the 1876 prohibition. Empowering the legislature to make expenditures to develop and disseminate promotional information about the state.
16	56	appropriations for development and dissemination of information concerning Texas resources	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	57	land set aside for State Capitol	=	1876/02/15						
16	57	land set aside for State Capitol	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	58	Board of Prison Commissioners	+	1912/11/05	H.J.R. 22	32nd Leg., R.S., 1911	-	Adopted	56.4%	
16	58	Board of Prison Commissioners	Δ	1921/07/23	H.J.R. 30	37th Leg., R.S., 1921	-	Failed	35.6%	Abolishing the board and providing for prison supervision and maintenance as established by law, similar to the adopted 1926 amendment. H.J.R. 30 erroneously states that it is amending Article 17.

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16	58	Board of Prison Commissioners	Δ	1926/11/02	S.J.R. 9	39th Leg., R.S., 1925	-	Adopted	64.1%	Abolishing the board and providing for prison supervision and maintenance as established by law, similar to the failed 1921 amendment.
16	58	Board of Prison Commissioners	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	"Deadwood amendment." See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	58	compensation of state, district, county, and precinct officers by salary fixed or provided for by the legislature	+	1913/07/19	H.J.R. 41	33rd Leg., R.S., 1913	-	Failed	21.3%	Duplicate section numbering.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	+	1917/08/21	S.J.R. 12	35th Leg., R.S., 1917	-	Adopted	57.1%	Requiring conservation and development of the state's natural resources. Providing for the authorization of districts to issue bonds and levy taxes.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	Δ	1964/11/03	H.J.R. 8	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	2	Adopted	66.7%	Requiring certain local newspaper notice of legislation proposing to create a new district or to amend the enabling legislation of an existing district.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	Δ	1973/11/06	S.J.R. 1	63rd Leg., R.S., 1973	4	Adopted	61.4%	Requiring notice to cities and counties of legislation to create a district.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	Δ	1978/11/07	H.J.R. 42	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	8	Adopted	68.2%	Authorizing firefighting activities and related bond issues. Same ballot proposition amended 3:52.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	Δ	2003/09/13	S.J.R. 30	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	4	Adopted	56.4%	Providing for the authorization of the provision of certain parks and recreational facilities by districts and for indebtedness payable from taxes for improvements and maintenance only for districts in certain counties or for a certain water control and improvement district.
16	59	conservation and reclamation districts	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 28	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	7	Failed	48.3%	Expanding the authorization of indebtedness related to parks and recreational facilities to include bond issues by districts in El Paso County.
16	60	sharing by prisoners in the net proceeds from the state penitentiary system	+	1919/11/04	H.J.R. 38	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	37.4%	
16	60	legislative authorization to set salaries of state, district, county, and precinct officers	+	1920/11/02	H.J.R. 7	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	47.6%	

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16	60	fee system replacement with a salary system for the compensation of certain district and county officers	+	1927/08/01	H.J.R. 32	40th Leg., R.S., 1927	-	Failed	11.8%	
16	60	Texas Centennial authorization and appropriation	+	1932/11/08	S.J.R. 28	42nd Leg., R.S., 1931	-	Adopted	56.0%	
16	60	Texas Centennial authorization and appropriation	-	1969/08/05	H.J.R. 3	61st Leg., R.S., 1969	1	Adopted	55.4%	“Deadwood amendment.” See 3:42 (1969) for full list of deleted sections.
16	61	fee system replacement with a salary system for the compensation of certain district, county, and precinct officers	+	1934/11/06	S.J.R. 2	43rd Leg., R.S., 1933	-	Failed	34.6%	Nearly identical to approved 16:61 (1935).
16	61	compensation of district, county, and precinct officers	+	1935/08/24	S.J.R. 6	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Adopted	59.3%	Requiring compensation of all district officers and of county officers in counties with a population of 20,000 or more on a salary basis. Providing for compensation of county officers on a fee basis or a salary basis as determined by the county commissioners court in counties with a population of less than 20,000 and for compensation of precinct officers on similar bases, as determined by the county commissioners court, without respect to county population. Nearly identical to failed 16:61 (1934).
16	61	compensation of district, county, and precinct officers	Δ	1937/08/23	H.J.R. 24	45th Leg., R.S., 1937	3	Failed	41.9%	Compensation of district, county, and precinct officers as prescribed by the legislature.
16	61	compensation of district, county, and precinct officers	Δ	1948/11/02	H.J.R. 36	50th Leg., R.S., 1947	6	Adopted	79.8%	Requiring compensation of all sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, county law enforcement officers, constables, deputy constables, and precinct law enforcement officers on a salary basis.
16	61	compensation of district, county, and precinct officers	Δ	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 41	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	3	Adopted	69.2%	Requiring compensation of all justices of the peace on a salary basis.
16	61	compensation of district, county, and precinct officers	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	+	1946/11/05	H.J.R. 10	49th Leg., R.S., 1945	2	Adopted	59.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide such a fund for the appointive officers and employees of the state, and also authorizing each county, subject to local voter approval, to provide such a fund for the appointive officers and employees of the county. Limiting the state and county matching contribution to 5% of a person's compensation and limiting such contribution to \$180 per person per year.

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16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1957/11/05	H.J.R. 37	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	1	Adopted	71.9%	Providing for the expansion of the state fund to include nonappointive officers and employees and judicial district officers and employees. Excluding from the state fund certain participants in other retirement systems. Removing the annual state contribution limit and amending the authorized fund investments.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1958/11/04	S.J.R. 6	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	2	Failed	40.1%	Providing for the expansion of the county fund to include appointive and elective officers and employees of a precinct and elective officers of the county. Increasing the allowable county contribution.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1962/11/06	H.J.R. 36	57th Leg., R.S., 1961	6	Failed	44.0%	Providing for the expansion of the county fund to include elected officers and for political subdivision funds that include elected and appointive officers and employees. Requiring a person to have served 12 years before qualifying for benefits. Removing the annual county contribution limit.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1963/11/09	S.J.R. 26	58th Leg., R.S., 1963	3	Failed	46.6%	Authorizing political subdivisions in Jefferson County to establish funds for appointed officers and employees, subject to local voter approval.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1966/11/08	S.J.R. 4	59th Leg., R.S., 1965	5	Adopted	52.8%	Providing for a statewide system of retirement, disability, and death compensation benefits for officers and employees of counties and other political subdivisions. Providing for mergers with similar authorized systems established by counties.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1967/11/07	S.J.R. 3	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	-	Never submitted to voters	N/A	Repealed and replaced by the substantively similar S.J.R. 39, 60th Leg., R.S., 1967.

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16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	Δ	1968/11/05	S.J.R. 39	60th Leg., R.S., 1967	1	Adopted	60.4%	Establishing the Employees Retirement System of Texas as a constitutional entity and addressing issues of system administration and investment guidelines. Increasing the state matching contribution limit to 6%. Repealing and replacing S.J.R. 3, 60th Leg., R.S., 1967.
16	62	retirement, disability, and death compensation fund for certain officers and employees of the state, counties, and other political subdivisions	-	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Same ballot proposition also repealed 3:48a, 3:48b, 3:51-e, 3:51-f, and 16:63 and consolidated and revised state and local retirement provisions within new 16:67.
16	62-c	civil service system in counties of population 75,000 or more	+	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 19	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	1	Failed	45.1%	H.J.R. 19 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
16	63	statewide system of retirement and disability pensions for county appointive officers and county employees	+	1949/11/08	H.J.R. 38	51st Leg., R.S., 1949	6	Failed	31.7%	H.J.R. 38 was amended by H.J.R. 46, 51st Leg., R.S., 1949 (session laws, p. 1500), which provided for a different election date.
16	63	statewide system of retirement and disability pensions for county appointive officers and county employees	+	1951/11/13	H.J.R. 22	52nd Leg., R.S., 1951	1	Failed	33.5%	Similar to failed 16:63 (1949).
16	63	provision for credits under the Teacher Retirement System and Employees Retirement System of Texas	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 6	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	2	Adopted	63.1%	
16	63	provision for credits under the Teacher Retirement System and Employees Retirement System of Texas	-	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Same ballot proposition also repealed 3:48a, 3:48b, 3:51-e, 3:51-f, and 16:62 and consolidated and revised state and local retirement provisions within new 16:67.
16	64	four-year terms of office for certain district, county, and precinct offices	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Increasing from two years to four years the terms of office of the office of inspector of hides and animals and of other elective district, county, and precinct offices. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30 and 16:65.

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16	64	four-year terms of office for certain district, county, and precinct offices	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 69	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	10	Adopted	76.6%	Abolishing the constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals. The same ballot proposition made a related change to 16:65.
16	65	resignation from office on officer's candidacy for another office	+	1954/11/02	S.J.R. 4	53rd Leg., R.S., 1953	8	Adopted	54.0%	Specifying which officers elected at the November 1954 general election serve two-year terms, rather than the full four-year terms, during the transition from two-year to four-year terms of office. Same ballot proposition amended 5:9, 5:15, 5:18, 5:20, 5:21, 5:23, 8:14, 8:16, and 16:44 and included new 5:30 and 16:64.
16	65	resignation from office on officer's candidacy for another office	Δ	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 31	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	4	Adopted	65.4%	Requiring the automatic resignation of certain county or district officers who, with more than one year remaining in an unexpired term of office, become or announce as a candidate for another office.
16	65	resignation from office on officer's candidacy for another office	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	65	resignation from office on officer's candidacy for another office	Δ	2007/11/06	H.J.R. 69	80th Leg., R.S., 2007	10	Adopted	76.6%	Eliminating reference to inspector of hides and animals. Same ballot proposition amended 16:64 similarly.
16	65	resignation from office on officer's candidacy for another office	Δ	2011/11/08	S.J.R. 37	82nd Leg., R.S., 2011	10	Adopted	56.0%	Extending by 30 days the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of an officer who becomes or announces as a candidate for another office. Amendment effectively amended 11:11 similarly because that section incorporates 16:65 by reference.
16	65A	election and term of office of Fort Bend County district attorney	+	1989/11/07	S.J.R. 71	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	14	Adopted	67.5%	
16	65A	election and term of office of Fort Bend County district attorney	-	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 75	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	12	Adopted	76.6%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:25 (2001) for full list of repealed, amended, added, and redesignated sections.
16	66	retirement and disability pensions for certain Texas Rangers, and their widows, ineligible for membership in the Employees Retirement System of Texas	+	1958/11/04	H.J.R. 17	55th Leg., R.S., 1957	6	Adopted	61.7%	

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16	66	retirement and disability pensions for certain Texas Rangers, and their widows, ineligible for membership in the Employees Retirement System of Texas	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Transition clause preserves benefits for any remaining affected pensioners. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	66	protected benefits under certain public retirement systems	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 54	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	15	Adopted	71.5%	Prohibiting the reduction or impairment of accrued benefits as a result of changes in certain public retirement systems' service or disability retirement benefits or death benefits.
16	67	state and local retirement systems	+	1975/04/22	S.J.R. 3	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Adopted	73.7%	Consolidating and revising provisions relating to state and local retirement systems and repealing 3:48a, 3:48b, 3:51-e, 3:51-f, 16:62, and 16:63.
16	67	state and local retirement systems	Δ	1991/11/05	S.J.R. 6	72nd Leg., R.S., 1991	7	Failed	36.7%	Expanding statewide public retirement system investment options.
16	67	state and local retirement systems	Δ	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 31	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	11	Adopted	76.4%	Relating to the duties of trustees of local public pension systems.
16	67	state and local retirement systems	Δ	2001/11/06	H.J.R. 1	77th Leg., R.S., 2001	4	Adopted	72.1%	Providing for a four-year term of office for the firefighters' pension commissioner, if the legislature provides for that office.
16	68	associations of agricultural producers and collection of assessments on product sales	+	1977/11/08	S.J.R. 19	65th Leg., R.S., 1977	5	Failed	43.6%	
16	68	associations of agricultural producers and collection of assessments on product sales	+	1983/11/08	S.J.R. 1	68th Leg., 1st C.S., 1983	3	Adopted	64.5%	Authorizing the legislature to provide representative associations with the authority to collect assessments approved by producers.
16	69	prior approval of the expenditure or emergency transfer of any funds appropriated to state agencies	+	1985/11/05	H.J.R. 72	69th Leg., R.S., 1985	9	Adopted	57.4%	Authorizing the legislature to require such prior approval.
16	70	Texas growth fund	+	1988/11/08	H.J.R. 5	70th Leg., 2nd C.S., 1987	3	Adopted	63.4%	Establishing the Texas growth fund and specifying its management, investments, and purpose. The section expired September 1, 2008. (The amendment had provided for its expiration on September 1, 1998, if the legislature had not authorized the creation of the Texas growth fund II.) Same ballot proposition amended 7:5 and included new 7:11b.
16	70	Texas growth fund	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 1	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	10	Adopted	69.4%	Part of abolishment of office of state treasurer. See comments on 4:1 (1995) for list of sections affected by same ballot proposition.

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16	70	Texas growth fund	Δ	1995/11/07	S.J.R. 7	74th Leg., R.S., 1995	9	Failed	45.6%	Repealing an investee disclosure requirement regarding financial ties with South Africa or Namibia. Same as failed 16:70 (1997), except for the ballot language; see 16:70 (1999) for the successful repeal.
16	70	Texas growth fund	Δ	1997/11/04	S.J.R. 39	75th Leg., R.S., 1997	6	Failed	49.9%	Repealing an investee disclosure requirement regarding financial ties with South Africa or Namibia. Same as failed 16:70 (1995, S.J.R. 7), except for the ballot language; see 16:70 (1999) for the successful repeal.
16	70	Texas growth fund	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Repealing an investee disclosure requirement regarding financial ties with South Africa or Namibia. See 16:70 (1995, S.J.R. 7) and (1997) for previous repeal attempts. Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
16	71	Texas product development and small business incubator funds	+	1989/11/07	H.J.R. 51	71st Leg., R.S., 1989	3	Adopted	52.3%	Authorizing the legislature to provide for the issue of bonds and state financing of the development and production of Texas products and businesses. Same ballot proposition included new 3:49-i.
16	71	Texas product development and small business incubator funds	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 4	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	4	Adopted	51.8%	Making a conforming change relating to the proposition's amendment of 8:2 regarding the property tax exemption for property owned by public charities.
16	72	Texas product development, small business incubator, and agricultural funds	+	1987/11/03	H.J.R. 4	70th Leg., R.S., 1987	6	Failed	46.8%	Similar to approved 16:71 (1989).
16	72	Texas historically underutilized business capital growth and start-up fund	+	1993/11/02	S.J.R. 9	73rd Leg., R.S., 1993	1	Failed	30.2%	
16	72	temporary replacement of a legislator or other public officer on military active duty	+	2003/09/13	H.J.R. 84	78th Leg., R.S., 2003	22	Adopted	78.5%	Providing for the filling of a temporary vacancy in a public office created by the activation for military service of a public officer, whether elected or appointed, of the state or any political subdivision if such military service will last for longer than 30 days.
16	73	state support for veterans hospitals	+	2009/11/03	H.J.R. 7	81st Leg., R.S., 2009	8	Adopted	74.8%	
16	not numbered	bond issue by the City of Galveston and Galveston County for seawall development and other protective public works	+	1919/11/04	S.J.R. 23	36th Leg., R.S., 1919	-	Failed	48.6%	See similar 11:7.
16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	1	Failed	25.6%	Revising the separation of powers, legislative, and executive provisions of the Texas Constitution, including new 16:68 (game and fish laws) and repeals of 16:30 and 16:30a. See session laws, p. 3148.

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16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	2	Failed	28.1%	Revising the judiciary provisions of the Texas Constitution, including contingent provisions amending 16:30 if Propositions 1 and 7 both failed, amending 16:65 if Propositions 6 and 7 both failed, and deleting 16:19 and amending 16:67 if Proposition 7 failed. See session laws, pp. 3156-3159.
16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	3	Failed	27.7%	Revising the voter qualification and election provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision amending 16:2 if Proposition 7 failed. See session laws, p. 3162.
16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	4	Failed	28.0%	Revising the education provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision amending 16:30 if Propositions 1 and 7 both failed. See session laws, p. 3168.
16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	5	Failed	25.0%	Revising the finance provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a contingent provision adding a section (interbasin water transfers) to Article 16 if Proposition 7 failed. See session laws, p. 3179. Also including a deletion of 16:6. See session laws, p. 3176.
16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	6	Failed	26.2%	Revising the local government provisions of the Texas Constitution, including deletions of 16:8, 16:30b, 16:44, 16:61, 16:64, and 16:65. Including also a deletion of 16:59 but with a contingent provision deleting it only in part if Proposition 7 failed. Including a contingent provision amending 16:30 if Propositions 1 and 7 both failed. See session laws, p. 3185.
16	1975 revision	constitutional revision: general provisions (renumbered as new Article 10)	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of new Article 10, with various changes, to replace existing Article 16, which is mostly deleted. See session laws, p. 3187 and p. 3193. Substance similar to the game and fish section in Proposition 1 was incorporated into new 10:10 (protection of wildlife resources). See session laws, p. 3188. Including contingent provisions moving 16:6 to existing Article 8 if Proposition 5 failed, moving 16:30a to existing Article 4 and adding a new section (railroad commissioners) to the article if Proposition 1 failed, moving 16:44 and part of 16:59 to existing Article 9 if Proposition 6 failed, and amending new 10:21 (retirement benefits for public employees) if Proposition 2 failed. See session laws, pp. 3193-3194.
17	<u>1</u>	method of constitutional amendment	=	1876/02/15						
17	<u>1</u>	method of constitutional amendment	Δ	1935/08/24	H.J.R. 48	44th Leg., R.S., 1935	-	Failed	47.3%	Allowing the governor to propose state constitutional amendments during special sessions, subject to certain limitations.

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17	1	method of constitutional amendment	Δ	1971/05/18	H.J.R. 21	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	2	Failed	44.8%	Allowing the legislature to propose state constitutional amendments at any session of the legislature.
17	1	method of constitutional amendment	Δ	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 68	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	10	Adopted	58.2%	Allowing the legislature to propose state constitutional amendments during special sessions when the subject matter is within the purposes for which the session is convened. Revising the time and method of publishing notice of proposed amendments.
17	1	method of constitutional amendment	Δ	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
17	2	constitutional revision commission of 1973 and constitutional convention of 1974	+	1972/11/07	H.J.R. 61	62nd Leg., R.S., 1971	4	Adopted	61.1%	
17	2	constitutional revision commission of 1973 and constitutional convention of 1974	-	1999/11/02	H.J.R. 62	76th Leg., R.S., 1999	3	Adopted	76.8%	Constitutional cleanup. See 3:2 (1999) for full list of repealed, consolidated, and amended sections.
17	1975 revision	constitutional revision: amendment of amending the Texas Constitution	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	7	Failed	26.1%	Revising the general provisions of the Texas Constitution, including a deletion of existing 17:2 and the renumbering of existing Article 17 as the last article of the new constitution. See session laws, p. 3194.
17	1975 revision	constitutional revision: amendment of amending the Texas Constitution	Δ	1975/11/04	S.J.R. 11	64th Leg., R.S., 1975	8	Failed	27.4%	Revising the mode of amending provisions of the Texas Constitution, providing for the adoption of a new and renumbered article to replace existing Article 17. See session laws, pp. 3195, 3197.

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