HJR 78 -- RECALL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

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Upon voter approval, this proposed constitutional amendment enacts procedures for the recall by petition of any elected public official in this state or its political subdivisions.

A recall petition must be signed by 25% of the total number of qualified voters as specified in the resolution and must contain a statement of the reasons for the recall. Acceptable reasons for a recall are stated in the resolution.

The petition must be filed with the Secretary of State or the appropriate election authority of the political subdivision the official is elected to serve within 60 days of the earliest signature on the petition. If the signatures on the petition are sufficient the Secretary of State or the election authority will order an election to be held on the next day available for elections as provided by law.

If any elected public official resigns from office before a recall election occurs, the office is declared vacant and will be filled on the election day scheduled for the recall election or as otherwise provided by law.