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**LSG Floor Report For CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS CALENDAR- October 13, 2021**

Author	Caption	Committee	Analysis & Evaluation	Recommendation
SJR 1 Sponsor: Kacal By: Huffman	Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring a judge or magistrate to impose the least restrictive conditions of bail that may be necessary and authorizing the denial of bail under some circumstances to a person accused of a violent or sexual offense or of continuous trafficking of persons.	Constitutional Rights & Remedies  Vote: 9 Ayes 4 Nays 0 PNV 2 Absent	SJR1 dismisses the fundamental right to pretrial release and the presumption of innocence. SJR1 allows magistrates to deny bail to anyone accused of a first-degree felony sexual offense, a violent offense, or continuous trafficking of persons. Although it does require a judge or magistrate to impose the least restrictive conditions for bail it will ultimately put more people in jail without being convicted of a crime. Texas county jails are already the largest mental health facilities in the state. SJR1 will increase the amount of people with mental illness in jail, instead of directing them to treatment. Upon passage, it will be submitted to Texas voters on the May 7, 2022, election. The Damon Allen Act, signed by the Governor on September 17th, is the enabling legislation for SJR1.	<b>Unfavorable</b> <b>Evaluated By:</b> Brittany Sharp <a href="mailto:Brittany@TexasLSG.org">Brittany@TexasLSG.org</a> (210) 748-0646

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