

Kile throws no-hitter, Astros win 7-1

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HOUSTON — Darryl Kile, a low-budget starter on a multimillion-dollar staff, pitched baseball's second no-hitter in five days, leading the Houston Astros over the New York Mets 7-1 Wednesday night.

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Out doesn't help. The Redskins looked strong on Monday night, but they can only cross their fingers in hopes that quarterback Mark Rypien doesn't repeat his disaster from a year ago.

ants barely got by Chicago, a team in a serious transition period. Phoenix could be dangerous, but they are still too young.

season, the Cowboys could be the NFC East Division Champions. I think they can do that, but it will be a struggle to finish there without Emmitt and the murderous schedule they will have to play.

guy has been a constant force for Buffalo, he's helped them get to the Super Bowl three straight years and has been one of the top three running backs over the last four years.

to return so that he can run all over my fallen Eagles, but I'd much rather see Emmitt on the field and the Cowboys in first place, opposed to the Giants or Redskins.

NCAA

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recommendation or you don't." Smith characterized the meeting as cordial and productive and said he expected A&M to receive the findings this week.

do whatever we can to move the process along to closure," Smith said. "We did agree on some joint initiatives that we are pursuing right now, and I'm hopeful that by working together we can get this thing to closure quickly."

awaiting the NCAA to confirm that or to tell us something else." Smith said the delay in the decision forthcoming from the NCAA was not a concern.

He said although the duration of the review was disappointing, the affect it is having on his team was minimal.

PUBLIC NOTICE BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 2, 1993

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 9 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the Texas Legislature to provide for the issuance of bonds for the state financing of start-up costs for historically underutilized businesses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the issuance of \$50 million of general obligation bonds for the recovery and further development of the state's economy and for increasing job opportunities and other benefits for Texas residents through state financing of the start-up costs of historically underutilized businesses."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 86 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature, by general law, to exempt from ad valorem taxation all or part of real and personal property used, constructed, acquired, or installed wholly or partly to meet or exceed rules or regulations adopted by any environmental protection agency of the United States, Texas, or a political subdivision of this state for the prevention, monitoring, control, or reduction of air, water, or land pollution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to promote the reduction of pollution and to encourage the preservation of jobs by authorizing the exemption from ad valorem taxation of real and personal property used for the control of air, water, or land pollution."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 3 proposes a constitutional amendment to clear land titles in which the State of Texas relinquishes and releases any claim of sovereign ownership or title to an undivided one-third interest in and to the lands and minerals within the Shelby, Frazier, and McCormick League (now located in Fort Bend and Austin counties) arising out of the interest in that league originally granted under the Mexican Colonization Law of 1823 to John McCormick on or about July 24, 1824, and subsequently voided by the governing body of Austin's Original Colony on or about December 15, 1830.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim in a fractional interest, arising out of the voiding of an interest under a Mexican land grant, to the owners of certain property in Fort Bend and Austin counties."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 49 proposes a constitutional amendment that would prohibit a state personal income tax without voter approval and would dedicate the proceeds of any income tax, if enacted, to property tax relief and education.

The amendment also provides that a general law enacted by the legislature that increases the rate of the tax, or changes the tax in a manner that results in an increase in the combined income tax liability of all persons subject to the tax, may not take effect until approved by a majority of the registered voters voting in a statewide referendum held on the question of increasing the income tax.

The amendment also provides that, in the first year in which an income tax is imposed, and during the first year of any increase in the tax, not less than two-thirds of all net revenues from the tax shall be used to reduce the rate of ad valorem maintenance and operation taxes levied for the support of primary and secondary education.

In subsequent years, not less than two-thirds of all net revenues of the tax shall be used to continue such ad valorem tax relief. The net revenues of the tax remaining after the dedication of money for reduction of ad valorem maintenance and operation taxes shall be used for support of education. The maximum rate at which a school district may impose ad valorem maintenance and operation taxes is reduced by an amount equal to one cent per \$100 valuation for each one cent per \$100 valuation that the school district's ad valorem maintenance and operation tax is reduced by the minimum amount of money dedicated under the amendment, provided that a school district may subsequently increase the maximum ad valorem maintenance and operation tax rate if the increased maximum rate is approved by a majority of the voters of the school district voting at an election called and held for that purpose.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment prohibiting a personal income tax without voter approval and, if an income tax is enacted, dedicating the revenue to education and limiting the rate of local school taxes."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 18 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of sheriffs. Currently, the constitution authorizes the legislature to prescribe the duties, perquisites, and fees of office, but not the qualifications for the office of sheriff.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of sheriffs."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would abolish the office of county surveyor in Jackson County. The amendment also provides for the powers, duties, and functions of the county surveyor to be transferred to the county officer designated by the commissioners court.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment abolishing the office of county surveyor in Jackson County."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 57 proposes a constitutional amendment that repeals article XII, section 6, of the Texas Constitution, which currently provides that no corporation shall issue stock or bonds except for money paid, labor done, or property actually received, and that all fictitious increase of stock or indebtedness shall be void.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment repealing certain restrictions on the ability of corporations to raise capital."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 22 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the commissioners court of McLennan County to call an election to abolish the office of county surveyor. The office of county surveyor will be abolished if a majority of the qualified voters of McLennan County voting on the question favor the abolition.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to abolish the office of county surveyor in McLennan County."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 19 proposes an amendment to article VIII, section 13 of the Texas Constitution that would modify the provisions for the redemption of real property sold at a tax sale. The amendment deletes current language in article VIII, section 13 that allows the legislature to provide for the sale of property without trial to pay for delinquent taxes. It also states that the deed to the new owner vests a good and perfect title subject only to redemption as set out in this amendment or impeachment for fraud.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to modify the provisions for the redemption of real property sold at a tax sale."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 34 proposes a constitutional amendment that adds a

new section 49-b-2 to article III of the Texas Constitution. This new section provides that, in addition to the general obligation bonds authorized to be issued and sold by the Veterans' Land Board (the "Board") by sections 49-b (\$950 million) and 49-b-1 (\$1.3 billion) of article III, the board may provide for, issue, and sell general obligation bonds of the state in an amount not to exceed \$750 million to provide financing to Texas veterans.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that the trustees of a local public pension system must administer the system for the benefit of the system's participants and beneficiaries."

board of trustees of such a system shall (1) administer the system of benefits; (2) hold the assets of the system for the exclusive purposes of providing benefits to participants and their beneficiaries and defraying reasonable expenses of administering the system; and (3) select legal counsel and an actuary and adopt sound actuarial assumptions to be used by the system.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that the trustees of a local public pension system must administer the system for the benefit of the system's participants and beneficiaries."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 23 proposes a constitutional amendment providing that any person accused of a violent or sexual offense committed while under the supervision of a criminal justice agency of this state or a political subdivision of this state for a prior felony may, after a hearing and evidence substantially showing the guilt of the accused, be denied bail pending trial. If the accused is not, however, accorded a trial within 60 days from the time of his incarceration upon the accusation or indictment, the order denying bail shall be set aside unless a continuance is obtained upon the request of the accused.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting the denial of bail to certain persons charged with certain violent or sexual offenses committed while under the supervision of a criminal justice agency of the state or a political subdivision of the state."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 13 proposes a constitutional amendment that amends article VII, section 17(a), of the Texas Constitution to provide that, of the \$100 million currently appropriated by that section for the use of public institutions of higher education during each fiscal year, those institutions may also utilize this money to pay for acquiring, constructing, or equipping or for major repair or rehabilitation of buildings, facilities, or other permanent improvements, or capital equipment used jointly for educational and general activities and for auxiliary enterprises to the extent of their use for educational and general activities.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing issuance of \$750 million in general obligation bonds to augment the Veterans' Land Fund and the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund and to fund the Veterans' Housing Assistance Fund II."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment relating to the duties of trustees of local retirement systems which provide retirement and related disability and death benefits for public officers and employees and that do not belong to a statewide retirement system. The amendment provides that the

provements that are to be used only for student housing, intercollegiate athletics, or auxiliary enterprises.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the amount and expenditure of certain constitutionally dedicated funding for public institutions of higher education."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 45 proposes a constitutional amendment that adds a new subsection (e) to article III, section 49-b, of the Texas Constitution. The new subsection provides that, in addition to the amounts authorized by subsections (a) (\$500 million), (c) (\$400 million), and (d) (\$1.1 billion) of section 49-b, the legislature may authorize the issuance of up to \$1 billion in general obligation bonds and may use the proceeds of the bonds for acquiring, constructing, or equipping new corrections institutions, including youth corrections institutions, and mental health and mental retardation institutions and for major repair or renovation of existing facilities of those corrections and mental health and mental retardation facilities. The amendment also provides that the provisions of subsection (a) of section 49-b, relating to the review and approval of bonds, and the provisions of subsection (b) of section 49-b, relating to the status of the bonds as a general obligation of the state and to the manner in which the principal and interest on the bonds are paid, apply to bonds authorized by this amendment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1 billion in general obligation bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for projects relating to facilities of corrections and mental health and mental retardation institutions."

PROPOSITION NO. 15 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 37 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the county commissioners court of a county to call an election to abolish the office of county surveyor. The office of county surveyor is abolished if a majority of voters of the county voting in the election approve the measure. If the office of county surveyor is abolished, the maps, field notes, and other records of the county surveyor are transferred to the county officer or employee designated by the commissioners court.

PROPOSITION NO. 16 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 44 proposes an amendment to article III, section 49-(b) of the Texas Constitution, which currently limits the principal amount of bonds outstanding at one time for the Texas agricultural fund to \$25 million and for the rural microenterprise development fund to \$5 million. The amendment would raise the principal amount limit for the Texas agricultural fund to \$100 million. The amendment would also make the principal amount limit for each fund apply to the total principal amounts of both bonds and notes issued or sold rather than just the principal amounts of bonds outstanding at one time.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing up to a total of \$100 million in bonds and notes to be issued or sold to finance the Texas agricultural fund for providing financial assistance to develop, increase, improve, or expand the production, processing, marketing, or export of crops or products grown or produced primarily in this state by agricultural businesses domiciled in the state."

Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el día 2 de noviembre de 1993. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711