



STATEWIDE BALLOT PROPOSAL STATUS

STATEWIDE PROPOSALS QUALIFIED TO APPEAR ON NOVEMBER 4 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

COALITION FOR COMPASSIONATE CARE

Status: Will appear on the November 4, 2008 ballot

Purpose: Legislative initiative to allow under state law the medical use of marijuana.

Contact: Michigan Coalition for Compassionate Care, P.O. Box 20489, Ferndale, MI 48220. Dianne Byrum (517) 333-1606

STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS CURRENTLY BEING REVIEWED FOR SUFFICIENCY

STEM CELL RESEARCH: Signatures filed July 7, 2008

Status: 570,016 signatures submitted to the Secretary of State; 380,126 valid signatures required. Signatures currently being reviewed.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to permit with certain limitations stem cell research in Michigan.

Contact: Stem Cell Research BQC, P.O. Box 20216, Lansing, Michigan 48901. Mark Burton (517) 974-4004.

REFORM MICHIGAN GOVERNMENT NOW: Signatures filed July 7, 2008.

Status: 487,000 signatures submitted to the Secretary of State; 380,126 valid signatures required. Signatures currently being reviewed.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to affect a wide range of governmental reforms.

Contact: Reform Michigan Government Now!, 1501 North Shore Drive, Suite C, East Lansing, Michigan 48823. Mark Fisk (517) 333-1606.

STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS THAT FAILED TO GET SUFFICIENT SIGNATURES TO APPEAR ON NOVEMBER 4 BALLOT

MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL PEACE

Purpose: Legislative initiative to permit anyone 18 and over to use cannabis on private property; provide penalties for the use of cannabis in public areas; and permit cultivation of cannabis on residential properties.

Contact: Medical and Recreational Peace, P.O. Box 102, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827-0102.

Information is current as of July 9, 2008

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HEALTH CARE FOR MICHIGAN

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to require the State Legislature to pass laws to ensure that “every Michigan resident has affordable and comprehensive health care coverage through a fair and cost-effective financing system.”

Contact: Health Care for Michigan, 28342 Dartmouth Street, Madison Heights, Michigan 48071. Gary Benjamin (313) 964-4130 Ext. 229.

PART-TIME LEGISLATURE

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to provide for a part-time legislature, reduce legislative salaries and limit legislative benefits.

Contact: Part-time Legislature Ballot Question Committee, 1840 North Michigan #200, Saginaw, Michigan 48602. Gregory C. Schmid (989) 799-4641. Website: www.PartTimeLegislature.com.

PEOPLE’S CHOICE TAX REPEAL

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to require a statewide vote on any state statute that creates a new tax, continues a tax, reduces a tax deduction or tax credit or increases the effective rate or base of a tax. The proposed amendment would also extend initiative and referendum petition sponsors certain new petition design and circulation allowances.

Contact: People’s Choice Tax Repeal Committee, 1840 North Michigan #200, Saginaw, Michigan 48602. Gregory C. Schmid (989) 799-4641. Website: www.TaxRepeal.com.

MICHIGAN FAIR TAX

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to eliminate the Michigan Income Tax and the Michigan Business Tax and replace those taxes with a sales tax.

Contact: Michigan Fair Tax Proposal Committee, 352 12th Street, Plainwell, Michigan 49080. Micah Kissling (800) 314-6483.

TURN MICHIGAN AROUND

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to provide for a part-time legislature, while eliminating term limits

Contact: Committee to Turn Michigan Around, 346 West Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007-3737. Steward Sandstrom (269) 381-4000.

PROPORTIONAL SENATE

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to stipulate that the State Senate “shall consist of 50 members to be elected off of candidate lists at large from a statewide election.”

Contact: Proportional Senate Committee, 13423 Agnes Street, Southgate, Michigan 48195. Timothy Kachinski (734) 775-1810. Website: <www.myspace.com/proportionalsenate> Email: <proportional_senate@hotmail.com>

PERSONAL EDUCATION ACCOUNT

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to require the State Legislature to “provide from 4 years of age until the age of 18 years every resident child in Michigan with funding to support education on a per pupil basis which shall be controlled by the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of each child respectively....”

Contact: Personal Education Account Committee, 13423 Agnes Street, Southgate, Michigan 48195 Timothy Kachinski (734) 775-1810. Website: www.myspace.com/peainitiative Email: peainitiative@hotmail.com