

#### 2013-2014 PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

# **NOVEMBER 4, 2014 ELECTION**

The 14 constitutional amendments are in the order they will appear on the ballot. Click on an Act number link to read the complete text of an Act at the <u>Legislature's Website</u>.

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 1**

Act No. 439 House Bill No. 533, Regular Session, 2013, By Representatives Kleckley and Leger and Senators Johns, Mills, and Tarver

Do you support an amendment to authorize the legislature to create the Louisiana Medical Assistance Trust Fund, for the payment of Medicaid reimbursement to the health care provider groups paying fees into the fund? (Adds Article VII, Section 10.14)

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 2**

Act No. 438 House Bill No. 532, Regular Session, 2013, By Representatives Kleckley, Adams, Armes, Barrow, Berthelot, Billiot, Wesley Bishop, Brossett, Brown, Burrell, Carmody, Carter, Chaney, Cox, Cromer, Dixon, Dove, Guillory, Harrison, Hoffmann, Hunter, Katrina Jackson, James, Jefferson, Leger, Lorusso, Montoucet, Moreno, Ortego, Pylant, Reynolds, Smith, St. Germain, Thibaut, Thierry, Alfred Williams, and Patrick Williams and Senators Johns, Crowe, Long, Mills, Tarver, and Thompson

Do you support an amendment to create the Hospital Stabilization Fund to stabilize and protect Medicaid reimbursements for health care services by depositing assessments paid by hospitals, as authorized by the legislature, into a fund to support Louisiana hospital reimbursement? (Adds Article VII, Section 10.13)

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 3**

Act No. 871 House Bill No. 488, Regular Session, 2014, By Representative Berthelot

Do you support an amendment allowing an authorized agent of a tax collector to assist in the tax sale process, including the sale of property for delinquent taxes and that the fee charged by the authorized agent be included within the costs that the collector can recover in the tax sale? (Amends Article VII, Section 25(A)(1) and (E))

# **Proposed Amendment No. 4**

Act No. 873 House Bill No. 628, Regular Session, 2014, By Representative St. Germain and Senator Thompson

Do you support an amendment to authorize the investment of public funds to capitalize a state infrastructure bank and the loan, pledge, guarantee, or donation of public funds by a state infrastructure bank for eligible transportation projects? (Amends Article VII, Section 14(B))

## **Proposed Amendment No. 5**

Act No. 875 House Bill No. 96, Regular Session, 2014, By Representative Edwards and Senator Lafleur

Do you support an amendment to remove the constitutional requirement that a judge retire upon attaining the age of seventy or, if his seventieth birthday occurs during his term, that he retire upon completion of that term? (Amends Article V, Section 23)

## **Proposed Amendment No. 6**

Act No. 870 House Bill No. 111, Regular Session, 2014, By Representative Leger

Do you support an amendment to authorize the governing authority of Orleans Parish to increase the annual millage rate levied for fire and police protection, to require that the revenue from the fire and police millages be used for fire and police protection service enhancements, and to require that any increase be approved by the voters of Orleans Parish? (Amends Article VI, Section 26(E))

## **Proposed Amendment No. 7**

Act No. 433 Senate Bill No. 96, Regular Session, 2013, By Senator Adley

Do you support an amendment to provide that the homesteads of veterans with a service-connected disability rating of one hundred percent unemployability or totally disabled by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, and their surviving spouses, shall be exempt from ad valorem taxation for up to one hundred fifty thousand dollars, and that a parishwide vote shall not be required to implement this change in qualification for the exemption? (Amends Article VII, Section 21(K)(1) and (3))

## **Proposed Amendment No. 8**

Act No. 434 Senate Bill No. 128, Regular Session, 2013, By Senator Allain and Representatives Abramson, Barras, Berthelot, Billiot, Stuart Bishop, Broadwater, Henry Burns, Tim Burns, Burrell, Carmody, Champagne, Cox, Dove, Franklin, Garofalo, Gisclair, Guinn, Harrison, Henry, Hensgens, Hill, Jones, Lambert, Nancy Landry, Lopinto, Montoucet, Jim Morris, Reynolds, Schexnayder, St. Germain, Thibaut and Whitney

Do you support an amendment to establish the Artificial Reef Development Fund in the state treasury by depositing in to the fund monies that have been received by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries in the form of grants, donations, or other assistance to provide funding for programs dedicated to managing an artificial reef system, the wild seafood certification program, and inshore fisheries habitat enhancement projects? (Adds Article VII, Section 10.11)

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 9**

Act No. 432 Senate Bill No. 56, Regular Session, 2013, By Senator Morrell and Representatives Barrow, Ritchie and Thibaut

Do you support an amendment to exclude owners who are permanently totally disabled from the requirement that they annually certify to the assessor the amount of their adjusted gross income in order to receive the Special Assessment Level on their residences for property tax purposes? (Amends Article VII, Section 18(G)(1)(a)(iv))

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 10**

Act No. 436 House Bill No. 256, Regular Session, 2013, By Representative Patrick Williams and Senator Johns

Do you support an amendment providing for an eighteen-month redemption period in any parish other than Orleans, for vacant property sold at tax sale which is blighted or abandoned? (Effective January 1, 2015) (Adds Article VII, Section 25(B)(3))

## **Proposed Amendment No. 11**

<u>Act No 874</u> House Bill No. 341, Regular Session, 2014, By Representatives Harrison, Cox, Kleckley, and Willmott and Senators Alario, Amedee, Broome, Brown, Chabert, Donahue, Dorsey-Colomb, Erdey, Heitmeier, Johns, Kostelka, Long, Martiny, Mills, Morrell, Morrish, Murray, Nevers, Perry, Riser, Gary Smith, John Smith, Thompson, Walsworth, Ward, and White

Do you support an amendment to change the maximum number of departments in the executive branch of state government from twenty to twenty-one? (Amends Article IV, Section 1(B))

## **Proposed Amendment No. 12**

Act No. 437 House Bill No. 426, Regular Session, 2013, By Representative Armes

Do you support an amendment to require that two members of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission be electors from parishes located north of the parishes of Beauregard, Allen, Evangeline, Avoyelles, and Pointe Coupee? (Amends Article IX, Section 7(A))

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 13**

Act No. 872 House Bill No. 489, Regular Session, 2014, By Representative Wesley Bishop

Do you support an amendment to authorize the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to sell at a price fixed by the legislature property located in the Lower Ninth Ward of the city of New Orleans? (Amends Article VII, Section (14)(B))

#### **Proposed Amendment No. 14**

Act No. 435 House Bill No. 131, Regular Session, 2013, By Representative James

Do you support an amendment to provide that legislation relative to tax rebates, tax incentives, and tax abatements may not be introduced or considered by the legislature in a regular session held in an even-numbered year? (Amends Article III, Section 2(A)(3)(b) and (4)(b)(introductory paragraph))