

PROPOSITIONS

There are two types of initiative measures on this ballot:

INITIATIVES

Often called "direct democracy," the initiative is the power of the people to propose statutes, amendments to the state constitution or general obligation bond measures for voter approval or rejection. In the case of initiatives, the 131-day qualification deadline is constitutional and so cannot be waived. Any measure that qualifies after that deadline is placed on the next ensuing statewide ballot.

Initiative Constitutional Amendment (ICA)

An initiative constitutional amendment requires signatures equaling 8% of the gubernatorial vote.

Initiative Statute (IS)

An initiative statute requires the signatures of registered voters equal in number to 5% of the votes cast for all candidates for governor in the last election to qualify for the ballot;

All statewide measures require a simple majority for passage.

State ballot measures are numbered consecutively in ten-year cycles; the current cycle began with the eleven measures on the November 1998 general election ballot.