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BALLOT MEASURES

Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 1 - Legislature Term Limits

A constitutional amendment to change the limit on legislative terms from two consecutive terms to three consecutive terms.

*A vote "**FOR**" will amend the state constitution to increase the term limit for state senators from two consecutive four-year terms (eight years) to three consecutive four-year terms (12 years).*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" will not amend the Nebraska Constitution, so the current limit of two consecutive four-year terms will remain in effect. State legislators will continue to be ineligible for office in the Legislature for four years after serving two consecutive terms.*

NOTE: Currently, Nebraska state senators can only serve for two terms (8 years) before they are required to sit out for one term (4 years). After they have sat out one term (4 years), they are eligible to run again. If this amendment is passed, Nebraska state senators would be able to serve for three terms (12 years) before being required to sit out for one term (4 years). After they have sat out one term (4 years), they are eligible to run again.

Initiative Measure 440 - Internet Sports Wagering

Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to authorize the enactment of laws allowing persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska.

*A vote "**FOR**" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to authorize the enactment of laws to allow persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska.*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" means the Nebraska Constitution will not be amended in this manner.*

NOTE: A vote AGAINST would keep online sports betting illegal and prevent the expansion of gambling in Nebraska. Supporters of sports betting promise to use the revenue generated from legalizing online sports betting to go toward property tax relief. However, the supporters of casino gambling, which became legal in Nebraska in 2020, also promised property tax relief from its revenue, but that has yet to be seen. A vote FOR would allow for the expansion of gambling in Nebraska through Internet-based platforms.

Initiative Measure 441 - Sports Wagering Statutes

Shall statutes be enacted that: (1) Allow persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska or the operator's platform provider; and (2) Regulate such sports wagers?

*A vote "**FOR**" will enact statutes allowing persons located within Nebraska to place sports wagers through an Internet-based platform when offered by an authorized gaming operator conducting games of chance within a licensed racetrack enclosure in Nebraska or the operator's platform provider, and regulating such sports wagers.*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" means no such statutes will be enacted.*

NOTE: A vote **AGAINST** would keep online sports betting illegal and prevent the expansion of gambling in Nebraska. Supporters of sports betting promise to use the revenue generated from legalizing online sports betting to go toward property tax relief. However, the supporters of casino gambling, which became legal in Nebraska in 2020, also promised property tax relief from its revenue, but that has yet to be seen. A vote **FOR** would allow for the expansion of gambling in Nebraska through Internet-based platforms.

Initiative Measure 442 - Fairness for Girls

Shall the Nebraska Constitution be amended to provide: (1) Schools must expressly designate each athletic team or sport as one of the following based on biological sex: (a) Males, men, or boys; (b) females, women, or girls; or (c) coed or mixed; and (2) Athletic teams or sports designated for females, women, or girls shall not be open to students of the male sex? The amendment would apply to all athletic teams or sports sponsored by public schools or postsecondary educational institutions, and private schools or educational institutions whose athletic teams or sports compete against public schools or institutions.

*A vote "**FOR**" will amend the Nebraska Constitution to provide (1) Schools must expressly designate each athletic team or sport as one of the following based on biological sex: (a) Males, men, or boys; (b) females, women, or girls; or (c) coed or mixed; and (2) Athletic teams or sports designated for females, women, or girls shall not be open to students of the male sex. The amendment would apply to all athletic teams or sports sponsored by public schools or postsecondary educational institutions, and private schools or educational institutions whose athletic teams or sports compete against public schools or institutions.*
*A vote "**AGAINST**" means the Nebraska Constitution will not be amended in this manner.*

NOTE: A vote **FOR** creates constitutional protections for sex-separated athletics in Nebraska elementary schools, high schools, and colleges. This would prevent biological boys from competing in girls' sports.

Special City of Omaha Election $155,000,000 Public Facilities Bonds

Shall the City of Omaha be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds in the amount of one hundred fifty-five million and no/100 dollars ($155,000,000) plus interest payable on said bonds to be paid from the fund for principal and interest payments on the indebtedness of the City of Omaha as proposed in the notice of election which also provides that the approval of this bond issue will not incur any increases in the debt services tax levy rate of the City of Omaha over the levy increase approved in 2020?

*A vote **YES** would allow the City of Omaha to issue up to $155 million in bonds to pay for the construction of a new joint Police and Fire Headquarters in the Crossroads development. (This new headquarters would not serve as a Police precinct or Fire station).*
*A vote **NO** would prevent the City of Omaha from using bonds to pay for the construction of a new Police and Fire Headquarters in the Crossroads development.*

Special City of Omaha Election $30,000,000 Park & Recreation Bonds

Shall the City of Omaha be authorized to issue and sell general obligation bonds in the amount of thirty million and no/100 dollars ($30,000,000) plus interest payable on said bonds to be paid from the fund for principal and interest payments on the indebtedness of the City of Omaha as proposed in the notice of election which also provides that the approval of this bond issue will not incur any increases in the debt services tax levy rate of the City of Omaha over the levy increase approved in 2020?

*A vote **YES** would allow the City of Omaha to issue up to $30 million in bonds to pay for the completion of the Tranquility Park redevelopment at 120th Street and West Maple Road (the redevelopment would include 16 synthetic-turf fields. 12 of these fields are already under construction).*
*A vote **NO** would prevent the City of Omaha from using bonds to pay for the completion of the Tranquility Park redevelopment.*

Special City of Valley Election Proposition for Sales and Use Tax Allocation

Shall the City Council of the City of Valley, Nebraska, be authorized to allocate up to fifty percent (50%) of the revenue the City collects from its one and one-half percent (1.5%) local sales and use tax, on and after January 1, 2027, for the purpose of planning, designing, constructing, equipping, financing, and maintaining a new municipal swimming pool and related aquatic facilities?

*A vote "**YES**" would allow the City of Valley to use up to 50% of City sales tax revenue to pay for the construction of a new city swimming pool and aquatic facility while maintaining the City's current plan to replace all critical water mains in 4 years.*
*A vote "**NO**" would require the City of Valley to continue using all of the City sales tax on water improvement and wastewater improvement projects.*