Amendment 29

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado revised statutes concerning the use of petitions to provide candidate access to the primary election ballot, and, in connection therewith, requiring that all candidates for nomination at a primary election be placed on the primary election ballot by petition; eliminating the candidate designation and certification process from state, county, and district assemblies; specifying the signature requirements for nominating petitions for access to the primary election ballot; allowing a candidate to include a personal statement on his or her nominating petition; providing for examination of nominating petitions by the designated election official; and setting forth a procedure to protest the election official's decision regarding the sufficiency of nominating petitions?

YES NO

Amendment 30

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning election day voter registration, and, in connection therewith, allowing an eligible citizen to register and vote on any day that a vote may be cast in any election beginning on January 1, 2004; specifying election day voter registration locations; specifying that an eligible citizen who registers to vote on election day shall register in person and present a current and valid Colorado driver's license or state identification card or other approved documentation; and directing the Colorado general assembly, in implementing election day voter registration, to adopt necessary protections against election fraud?

YES NO

Amendment 31

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning English-language education in Colorado public schools, and, in connection therewith, requiring children to be taught by using the English language in their classrooms and requiring children who are learning English to be placed in an English immersion program that is intended to last one year or less and, if successful, will result in placement of such children in ordinary classrooms; exempting from such requirements those children whose parents or legal guardians obtain annual waivers allowing the children to transfer to classes using bilingual education or other educational methodologies, but making such waivers very difficult to obtain because the school can grant them only in very restrictive circumstances and can deny them for any reason or no reason thereby reducing the likelihood that bilingual education will be used; requiring schools that grant any waivers to offer bilingual education or other educational methodologies when they have at least 20 students in the same grade who receive a waiver and in all other cases permitting students to transfer to a public school in which bilingual education or other methodologies are offered, with the cost of such transfer, excluding transportation, to be provided by the state; allowing a parent or legal guardian to sue public employees granting a waiver if the parent or guardian later concludes that the waiver was granted in error and injured the child's education; creating severe legal consequences identified in the amendment for such public employees who willfully and repeatedly refuse to implement the amendment; and requiring schools to test children learning English, enrolled in second grade or higher, to monitor their progress, using a standardized nationally-normed test of academic subject matter given in English?

YES NO

Referendum A

An amendment to the constitution of the state of Colorado, exempting district attorneys from constitutional term limits.

YES NO

Referendum B

An amendment to section 2 of article XI of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the authorization for local governments to become a partner with a public or private entity in the provision of health care services, and, in connection therewith, authorizing a local government to become a subscriber, member, or shareholder in or a joint owner with any person or company, public or private, in order to provide such health care without incurring debt.

YES NO

Referendum C

An amendment to article XIV of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the authority of the general assembly to establish qualifications for the office of county coroner.

YES NO

Referendum D

Amendments to articles VI, XVIII, XX, and XXVII of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the repeal of certain obsolete provisions in the constitution of the state of Colorado.

YES NO

Referendum E

Shall the thirty-first day of March be designated a legal holiday for observing the birthday of Cesar Estrada Chavez as "Cesar Chavez day"?

La Plata County
Referred Measure 1A

SHALL LA PLATA COUNTY, COLORADO, WITHOUT INCREASING ITS CURRENT PROPERTY TAX OR SALES TAX RATES, BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND SPEND OR RESERVE ALL REVENUES OF THE COUNTY FROM EXISTING PROPERTY AND SALES TAXES, NON-FEDERAL GRANTS AND OTHER REVENUE SOURCES IN THE YEAR 2003 AND THEREAFTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL PROJECTS, ROAD AND BRIDGE MAINTENANCE, PUBLIC SAFETY, HUMAN SERVICES AND OTHER COUNTY SERVICES, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LIMITATION SET FORTH IN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED?

YES NO

Durango School District 9-R
Referred Measure 3A

SHALL DURANGO SCHOOL DISTRICT 9-R TAXES BE INCREASED $ 2.4 MILLION ANNUALLY (THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT WHICH MAY BE COLLECTED IN ANY FISCAL YEAR), PROVIDED THAT:

THE REVENUES FROM THE TAX INCREASE SHALL BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES OF:

FUNDING INCREASED MAINTENANCE AND UTILITY COSTS FOR NEW, RENOVATED, OR EXPANDED BUILDINGS, AND

INCREASING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT BY IMPROVING THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REDUCING CLASS SIZES;

IMPROVING TEACHER AND STAFF SALARIES AND WAGES AND FUNDING TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMS;

AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE INCREASED WITHOUT LIMITATION OF RATE TO RAISE SUCH DOLLAR AMOUNT ANNUALLY; AND SHALL ALL SUCH TAXES AND REVENUES FROM SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAXES ATTRIBUTABLE THERETO AND THE EARNINGS THEREON CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER LAW?

YES NO

Durango School District 9-R
Referred Measure 3B

SHALL DURANGO SCHOOL DISTRICT 9-R DEBT BE INCREASED $84.5 MILLION, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF $151 MILLION (THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AND REPAYMENT COST FOR THE DEBT) AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED $9.575 MILLION ANNUALLY (THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT WHICH MAY BE COLLECTED IN ANY FISCAL YEAR) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SAFE AND EFFICIENT LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS AND ADDRESSING OVERCROWDING AND FUTURE GROWTH BY:

RENOVATING, IMPROVING, REPAIRING, EQUIPPING AND ADDING TO THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT SCHOOL BUILDINGS:

SUNNYSIDE ELEMENTARY, FORT LEWIS MESA ELEMENTARY, FLORIDA MESA ELEMENTARY, PARK ELEMENTARY, NEEDHAM ELEMENTARY, ANIMAS VALLEY ELEMENTARY, THE ARTS AND SCIENCES BUILDING (WHICH CURRENTLY HOUSES THE EXCEL CHARTER SCHOOL), MILLER MIDDLE SCHOOL, ESCALANTE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND DURANGO HIGH SCHOOL; AND

REPLACING RIVERVIEW ELEMENTARY BY CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING A NEW BUILDING ON THE SAME SITE;

AND SHALL THE MILL LEVY BE INCREASED IN ANY YEAR, WITHOUT LIMITATION OF RATE OR AMOUNT, TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS OR ANY REFUNDING BONDS (OR TO CREATE A RESERVE FOR SUCH PAYMENT); SUCH DEBT TO BE EVIDENCED BY THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS BEARING INTEREST AT A MAXIMUM NET EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE NOT TO EXCEED 6.00%; SUCH BONDS TO BE SOLD IN ONE SERIES OR MORE ON TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND WITH SUCH MATURITIES AS PERMITTED BY LAW AND AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT MAY DETERMINE, INCLUDING PROVISIONS FOR REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS PRIOR TO MATURITY WITH OR WITHOUT PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM; AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH BONDS AND THE REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH PROCEEDS AND REVENUES BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

YES NO

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