



## 2012 PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION

The nine 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 Legislature's Web Portal database.

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

[Act No. 873](#) Senate Bill No. 82, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to prohibit monies in the Medicaid Trust Fund for the Elderly from being used or appropriated for other purposes when adjustments are made to eliminate a state deficit? (Adds Article VII, Section 10(F)(4)(g))

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

[Act No. 874](#) Senate Bill No. 303, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Louisiana to provide that the right to keep and bear arms is a fundamental right and any restriction of that right requires the highest standard of review by a court? (Amends Article I, Section 11)

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

[Act No. 872](#) Senate Bill No. 21, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to require legislation effecting any change to laws concerning retirement systems for public employees that is to be prefiled to be filed no later than forty-five days before the start of a regular legislative session and to require the completion of public notice requirements regarding legislation effecting such a change no later than sixty days before introduction of the bill? (Amends Article III, Section 2(A)(2), Article X, Section 29(C), and Article XIII, Section 1(A))

### **Proposed Amendment No. 4**

[Act No. 875](#) Senate Bill No. 337, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to exempt from ad valorem taxation, in addition to the homestead exemption, the next seventy-five thousand dollars of value of property owned and occupied by the spouse of a deceased veteran with a service-connected disability rating of one hundred percent who passed away prior to the enactment of the exemption? (Effective January 1, 2013)(Amends Article VII, Section 21(K)(1))

### **Proposed Amendment No. 5**

[Act No. 868](#) House Bill No. 9, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to provide for the forfeiture of public retirement benefits by any public servant who is convicted of a felony associated with and committed during his public service? (Adds Article X, Section 29(G))

**Proposed Amendment No. 6**

[Act No. 869](#) House Bill No. 497, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to authorize the granting of ad valorem tax exemption contracts by the city of New Iberia for property annexed by the city after January 1, 2013? (Adds Article VII, Section 21(L))

**Proposed Amendment No. 7**

[Act No. 870](#) House Bill No. 524, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment, relative to the membership of constitutional boards and commissions that have members who are selected from congressional districts, to retain the existing number of members and to provide for implementation of membership from reapportioned congressional districts by filling vacancies first from under-represented districts and then from the state at large? (Amends Article VIII, Sections 5(B)(1), 6(B)(1), and 7(B)(1) and Article X, Sections 3(A) and 43(A); Adds Article VIII, Section 8(D))

**Proposed Amendment No. 8**

[Act No. 871](#) House Bill No. 674, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to authorize the granting of ad valorem tax exemption contracts by the Board of Commerce and Industry for businesses located in parishes which have chosen to participate in a program established for the granting of such contracts? (Effective January 1, 2013) (Adds Article VII, Section 21(L))

**Proposed Amendment No. 9**

[Act No. 876](#) Senate Bill No. 410, Regular Session, 2012

Do you support an amendment to provide that no law relative to the creation of a special district, the primary purpose of which includes aiding in crime prevention and security by providing for an increased presence of law enforcement personnel in the district or otherwise promoting and encouraging security in the district, shall be enacted unless three separate notices of the proposed law are published at least thirty days prior to introduction of the bill, which notice shall set forth the substance of the proposed law and whether the governing authority of the special district would be authorized to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district, whether the parcel fee will be imposed or may be increased without an election, and the maximum amount of such fee? (Amends Article III, Section 13)