

ON THE QUESTION OF AMENDING
ARTICLE VII, SECTION 20
OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
RELATING TO THE

STATE BOARD OF PRISON COMMISSIONERS AND THE STATE BOARD OF
EXAMINERS BY PROVIDING FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE STATE BOARD OF
PRISON COMMISSIONERS AS A CONSTITUTIONAL BODY

The following is a true and exact copy of Article VII, Section 20 of the Constitution of the State of Montana as it exists at the present time:

"Section 20. The governor, secretary of state and attorney general shall constitute a board of state prison commissioners, which board shall have such supervision of all matters connected with the state prisons as may be prescribed by law. They shall constitute a board of examiners, with power to examine all claims against the state, except salaries or compensation of officers fixed by law, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law. And no claim against the state, except for salaries and compensation of officers fixed by law, shall be passed upon by the legislative assembly without first having been considered and acted upon by said board. The legislative assembly may provide for the temporary suspension of the state treasurer by the governor, when the board of examiners deem such action necessary for the protection of the moneys of the state."

The following is a true and exact copy of the PROPOSED AMENDMENT to Article VII, Section 20 of the Constitution of the State of Montana:

"Section 20. The governor, secretary of state and attorney general shall constitute a board of examiners, with power to examine all claims against the state, except salaries or compensation of officers fixed by law, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law; and no claim against the state, except for salaries and compensation of officers fixed by law, shall be passed upon by the legislative assembly without first having been considered and acted upon by said board. The legislative assembly may provide for the temporary suspension of the state treasurer by the governor, when the board of examiners deems such action necessary for the protection of the moneys of the state."

THE FORM IN WHICH THE QUESTION ON AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION
WILL BE PRINTED ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION,
NOVEMBER 8, 1960 IS AS FOLLOWS:

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 20, ARTICLE VII
OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA RELATING TO THE
COMPOSITION, POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS,
TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE STATE BOARD OF PRISON
COMMISSIONERS AS A CONSTITUTIONAL BODY.

FOR THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 20, ARTICLE VII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA RELATING TO THE COMPOSITION, POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE STATE BOARD OF PRISON COMMISSIONERS AS A CONSTITUTIONAL BODY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. That section 20 of article VII of the Constitution of the state of Montana be amended as hereinafter provided, and that the question of such amendment be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of Montana, at the general election to be held in November of 1960.

Section 2. That section 20 of article VII of the Constitution of the state of Montana be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 20. The governor, secretary of state and attorney general shall constitute a board of examiners, with power to examine all claims against the state, except salaries or compensation of officers fixed by law, and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law; and no claim against the state, except for salaries and compensation of officers fixed by law, shall be passed upon by the legislative assembly without first having been considered and acted upon by said board. The legislative assembly may provide for the temporary suspension of the state treasurer by the governor, when the board of examiners deems such action necessary for the protection of moneys of the state."

Section 3. This amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of Montana by being placed upon an official ballot provided by chapter 11 of title 23 of the Revised Codes of Montana, 1947, as amended by chapter 79 of the session laws of Montana of 1949, and as amended by chapter 72 of the session laws of 1953, and as provided by law; and there shall be printed on such ballots the title of this act and the following words:

FOR THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

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**ON THE QUESTION OF AMENDING
ARTICLE XVI, SECTION 6
OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
RELATING TO
CERTAIN COUNTY, TOWNSHIP, PRECINCT AND MUNICIPAL OFFICERS BY
INCREASING THE LIMIT OF TIME OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS.**

The following is a true and exact copy of Article XVI, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Montana as it exists at the present time:

"Section 6. The legislative assembly may provide for the election or appointment of such other county, township, precinct and municipal officers as public convenience may require and their terms of office shall be as prescribed by law, not in any case to exceed two years, except as in this constitution otherwise provided."

The following is a true and exact copy of the PROPOSED AMENDMENT to Article XVI, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Montana:

"Section 6. The legislative assembly may provide for the election or appointment of such other county, township, precinct and municipal officers as public convenience may require and their terms of office shall be as prescribed by law, not in any case to exceed four (4) years, except as in this constitution otherwise provided."

**THE FORM IN WHICH THE QUESTION ON AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION
WILL BE PRINTED ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT AT THE GENERAL ELECTION,
NOVEMBER 3, 1960, IS AS FOLLOWS:**

AN ACT FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, AMENDING SECTION 6 OF ARTICLE XVI OF SAID CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY, TOWNSHIP, PRECINCT AND MUNICIPAL OFFICERS, NOT OTHERWISE IN THE CONSTITUTION, PROVIDED AS PUBLIC CONVENIENCE MAY REQUIRE, INCREASING THE LIMIT OF TIME OF OFFICE FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS.

FOR THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

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AN ACT FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, AMENDING SECTION 6 OF ARTICLE XVI OF SAID CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY, TOWNSHIP, PRECINCT AND MUNICIPAL OFFICERS, NOT OTHERWISE IN THE CONSTITUTION, PROVIDED AS PUBLIC CONVENIENCE MAY REQUIRE, INCREASING THE LIMIT OF TIME OF OFFICE FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. That section 6 of article XVI of the constitution of the state of Montana be amended as hereinafter provided, and that the question of such amendment be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of Montana at the general election to be held in November, 1960.

Section 2. That section 6 of article XVI of the constitution of the state of Montana, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 6. The legislative assembly may provide for the election or appointment of such other county, township, precinct and municipal officers as public convenience may require and their terms of office shall be as prescribed by law, not in any case to exceed four (4) years, except as in this constitution otherwise provided."

Section 3. This amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of Montana by being placed on the official ballot provided by section 23-1102 of the Revised Codes of Montana, 1947, and as provided by law, and there shall be printed on such ballot the title of this act and the following words:

FOR THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

AGAINST THE ABOVE AMENDMENT

The elector shall designate his preference for either of the propositions by marking "X" before the proposition for which he desires to vote.

Section 4. The vote cast for and against the amendment herein proposed shall be counted, canvassed and determined by such officials and in such manner as provided by law, and if a majority of all votes cast at such election for and against such amendment shall be in favor of such amendment the governor of the state of Montana shall so declare by public proclamation, and the amendment shall be in full force and effect as a part of the constitution from and after the date of such proclamation.