

BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 113 (CI-113)

CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 113

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

CI-113 amends Article II, Section 11 of the Montana Constitution to prohibit warrantless searches by the state government of electronic or digital communications, including records obtained in the normal course of business by internet, telephone and other service providers. CI-113 further prohibits the issuance of general warrants authorizing state law enforcement officers to search unspecified places or persons or to seize unspecified records.

YES on Constitutional Initiative CI-113

NO on Constitutional Initiative CI-113

THE COMPLETE TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 113 (CI-113)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Article II, section 11, of the Constitution of the State of Montana is amended to read:

“Section 11. Searches and seizures. The people shall be secure in their persons, papers, communications in any form, including digital, homes and effects from unreasonable searches and seizures, or from any form of interception, reproduction, or storage of communications, including digital communications, that is not authorized by a warrant. No warrant to search any place, or seize any person or thing shall issue without describing the place to be searched or the person or thing to be seized, or without probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation reduced to writing. There shall be no issuance of general warrants.”

Section 2. Effective date. This amendment is effective upon approval by the electorate.