CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 114

A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

CI-114 would amend Article V, Section 1 of Montana’s Constitution to require that Montana’s Legislature be comprised of exactly one-half men and one-half women. The amendment does not differentiate between legislators serving in the Montana House of Representatives and the Montana State Senate. Consequently, it requires an equal number of men and women within the entire Legislature, regardless of the chamber in which they serve.

[ ] YES on Constitutional Initiative CI-114

[ ] NO on Constitutional Initiative CI-114
THE COMPLETE TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 114 (CI-114)

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

"Section 1. Power and structure. (1) The legislative power is vested in a legislature consisting of a senate and a house of representatives. The people reserve to themselves the powers of initiative and referendum.

(2) The legislature shall be composed of fifty percent men and fifty percent women, as may be provided by law."

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Transition. Legislative seats may not be subject to the provisions of this amendment until on or before the second general legislative election held after the next redistricting and reapportionment plan becomes law following the effective date of this amendment.

NEW SECTION. Section 3. {standard} Effective date. [This act] is effective upon approval by the electorate.