

# **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF 1963 — SUMMARY OF ADOPTION OR REJECTION**

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|                                                                                                                                                        |         |                 |                                                              |                  |          | For        | Against   |
| Lower minimum voting age from 21 to 18 years . . . . .                                                                                                 | 2       | 1               | Senate Joint Resolution "A" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1966, p. 678   | Nov. 1966        | Rejected | 703,076    | 1,267,872 |
| Establish judicial tenure commission . . . . .                                                                                                         | 6       | 30              | House Joint Resolution "PP" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1968, p. 706   | Aug. 1968        | Approved | 553,182    | 228,738   |
| Require legislature to create state officers compensation commission . . . . .                                                                         | 4       | 12              | House Joint Resolution "AAA" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1968, p. 706  | Aug. 1968        | Approved | 417,393    | 346,839   |
| Define manner of filling judicial vacancies . . . . .                                                                                                  | 6       | 20,22,<br>23,24 | House Joint Resolution "F" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1968, p. 707    | Aug. 1968        | Approved | 494,512    | 266,561   |
| Permit election of members of legislature to another state office during their term of office . . . . .                                                | 4       | 9               | Senate Joint Resolution "Q" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1968, p. 708   | Nov. 1968        | Rejected | 778,388    | 1,783,186 |
| Permit state to impose a graduated income tax . . . . .                                                                                                | 9       | 7               | Senate Joint Resolution "G" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1967, p. 672   | Nov. 1968        | Rejected | 614,826    | 2,025,052 |
| Prohibit public aid to nonpublic schools and students . . . . .                                                                                        | 8       | 2               | Initiatory Petition . . . . .<br>P.A. 1970, p. 692           | Nov. 1970        | Approved | 1,416,838  | 1,078,740 |
| Lower minimum voting age from 21 to 18 years . . . . .                                                                                                 | 2       | 1               | House Joint Resolution "A" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1970, p. 690    | Nov. 1970        | Rejected | 924,981    | 1,446,884 |
| Allow legislature to authorize lotteries and the sale of lottery tickets . . . . .                                                                     | 4       | 41              | House Joint Resolution "V" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1972, p. 1145   | May 1972         | Approved | 1,352,768  | 506,778   |
| Permit members of legislature to resign and accept another office to which they have been elected or appointed . . . . .                               | 4       | 9               | Senate Joint Resolution "DD" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1972, p. 1145 | May 1972         | Rejected | 866,593    | 915,312   |
| Allow trial by jury of less than 12 jurors in all prosecutions for misdemeanors punishable by imprisonment for not less than 1 year . . . . .          | 1       | 20              | House Joint Resolution "M" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1972, p. 1146   | Aug. 1972        | Approved | 696,570    | 357,186   |
| Limit property tax for school, county, and township purposes and require legislature to establish a state tax program for support of schools . . . . . | 9       | 6               | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                                | Nov. 1972        | Rejected | 1,324,702  | 1,815,126 |
| Permit state to impose graduated income tax and allow legislature to authorize political subdivisions to levy graduated income tax . . . . .           | 9       | 7               | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                                | Nov. 1972        | Rejected | 959,286    | 2,102,744 |

\* See Const. 1963, art. 22, §§1 and 2. The citation P.A. refers to volumes of Public and Local Acts of the Legislature of the State of Michigan.

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|                                                                                                                                                                       |         |                                                 |                                                          |                  |          | For        | Against   |
| Limit use of motor fuel tax fund .....                                                                                                                                | 9       | 9                                               | Senate Joint Resolution "LL" .....<br>P.A. 1972, p. 1147 | Nov. 1974        | Rejected | 1,091,938  | 1,146,109 |
| Eliminate sales tax and use tax on food and prescription drugs .....                                                                                                  | 9       | 8                                               | Initiatory Petition .....<br>P.A. 1974, p. 1357          | Nov. 1974        | Approved | 1,337,609  | 1,071,253 |
| Lower minimum age of eligibility for office of state representative or state senator from 21 to 18 years .....                                                        | 4       | 7                                               | House Joint Resolution "B" .....<br>P.A. 1976, p. 1755   | Nov. 1976        | Rejected | 698,993    | 2,580,945 |
| Limit taxation imposed by legislature to 8.3% of state personal income .....                                                                                          | 9       | 25,26,27,<br>28,29,30,<br>31                    | Initiatory Petition .....                                | Nov. 1976        | Rejected | 1,407,438  | 1,866,620 |
| Permit state to impose a graduated income tax .....                                                                                                                   | 9       | 7                                               | Initiatory Petition .....                                | Nov. 1976        | Rejected | 897,780    | 2,332,513 |
| Call for constitutional convention .....                                                                                                                              |         |                                                 | Required by Const. 1963, art. 12, § 3 ...                | Nov. 1978        | Rejected | 640,286    | 2,112,549 |
| Authorize deposit of state funds in savings and loan associations and credit unions, as well as banks .....                                                           | 9       | 19,20                                           | House Joint Resolution "GG" .....<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2619  | Nov. 1978        | Approved | 1,819,847  | 933,101   |
| Prohibit alcoholic beverages from being sold to, or possessed by, a person under the age of 21 .....                                                                  | 4       | 40                                              | Initiatory Petition .....<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2627          | Nov. 1978        | Approved | 1,609,589  | 1,208,497 |
| Establish limits on taxes imposed by legislature and units of local government (Headlee Amendment) .....                                                              | 9       | 6,<br>25,26,27,<br>28,29,30,<br>31,32,33,<br>34 | Initiatory Petition .....<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2627          | Nov. 1978        | Approved | 1,450,150  | 1,313,984 |
| Grant Michigan state troopers and sergeants right to collective bargaining and binding arbitration .....                                                              | 11      | 5                                               | Initiatory Petition .....<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2630          | Nov. 1978        | Approved | 1,535,023  | 1,203,930 |
| Prohibit use of property taxes for school operating expenses and establish a voucher system for financing education of students at public and nonpublic schools ..... | 9<br>8  | 6<br>2                                          | Initiatory Petition .....                                | Nov. 1978        | Rejected | 718,440    | 2,075,583 |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                                             |                                                             |                  |          | For        | Against   |
| Reduce property tax assessments to establish a maximum of 5.6% on the rate of the state income tax; prohibit legislature from requiring new or expanded local programs without state funding; and allow school income tax with voter approval (Tisch Amendment I) . . . . .                              | 9       | 3,<br>3(a),7(a),<br>7(b),25(a),<br>25(b),26 | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                               | Nov. 1978        | Rejected | 1,032,343  | 1,737,133 |
| Allow courts to deny bail under certain circumstances involving violent crimes; provide for commencement of trial within 90 days . . . . .                                                                                                                                                               | 1       | 15                                          | House Joint Resolution "Q" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2620  | Nov. 1978        | Approved | 2,307,038  | 458,357   |
| Allocate at least 90% of gas tax revenues for general road purposes and the remainder for other transportation purposes; and replace state highway commission with transportation commission . . . . .                                                                                                   | 5<br>9  | 28<br>9                                     | House Joint Resolution "F" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2620  | Nov. 1978        | Approved | 1,478,316  | 1,233,196 |
| Require legislature to create a railroad redevelopment authority to make loans to railroads with trackage in Michigan and to authorize authority to issue general obligation bonds in amount not to exceed 175 million dollars . . . . .                                                                 | 4       | 54                                          | House Joint Resolution "OO" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1978, p. 2622 | Nov. 1978        | Rejected | 1,257,606  | 1,415,441 |
| Make local school boards responsible for school personnel and programs, reduce local property tax maximums for operational purposes, provide additional property tax relief for senior retirees, and require the state to raise revenues necessary for equal per pupil funding of public schools . . . . | 8<br>9  | 2<br>6,31,<br>6a,26a                        | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                               | Nov. 1980        | Rejected | 746,027    | 2,769,497 |
| Lower minimum legal age for possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages from 21 to 19 years . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                               | 4       | 40                                          | House Joint Resolution "S" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1980, p. 2321  | Nov. 1980        | Rejected | 1,403,935  | 2,250,873 |
| Provide property tax relief; reimburse local and state governments with additional sales tax; require net state lottery revenues be deposited in school aid fund; and mandate creation of state "rainy day" fund . . . . .                                                                               | 4<br>9  | 41,54<br>2,3,8,30,<br>31                    | Senate Joint Resolution "X" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1980, p. 2317 | Nov. 1980        | Rejected | 894,441    | 2,583,253 |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |         |                                                       |                                                             |                  |          | For        | Against   |
| Decrease property taxes and prohibit new types of home-<br>stead taxes; require 60% voter approval to raise state taxes<br>or fees; require partial state reimbursement to local units<br>for lost income; limit legislature's ability to change tax<br>exemptions or credits or change per pupil formula (Tisch<br>Amendment II) . . . . . | 9       | 1,2,3,31,<br>2a,3a,3b,<br>3c,3d,3e,<br>3f,33a,<br>33b | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                               | Nov. 1980        | Rejected | 1,622,301  | 2,051,008 |
| Allow the legislature to pass laws relating to members'<br>immunity from civil arrest and process during legislative<br>sessions . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 4       | 11                                                    | Senate Joint Resolution "L" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1980, p. 2321 | Nov. 1980        | Rejected | 1,287,172  | 2,134,546 |
| Restrict authority of lieutenant governor and establish a<br>procedure to fill a vacancy in the office of the lieutenant<br>governor . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                              | 4<br>5  | 9<br>25,26                                            | Senate Joint Resolution "K" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1980, p. 2322 | Nov. 1980        | Rejected | 1,410,912  | 1,927,001 |
| Reduce property taxes and city income taxes; limit growth of<br>property tax revenues; return additional sales tax to local<br>governments and schools; and require net lottery revenues<br>be deposited in school aid fund . . . . .                                                                                                       | 4<br>9  | 41<br>3,8,30,31                                       | House Joint Resolution "G" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1981, p. 1067  | May 1981         | Rejected | 560,924    | 1,451,305 |
| Allow the legislature to pass laws to reform members'<br>immunity from civil arrest and process during legislative<br>sessions . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 4       | 11                                                    | Senate Joint Resolution "A" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1981, p. 1070 | Nov. 1982        | Approved | 1,804,728  | 1,029,743 |
| Create a Michigan department of state police; provide for<br>its personnel; prescribe its duties; and require minimum<br>staffing . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 5       | 2,30                                                  | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                               | Nov. 1982        | Rejected | 720,915    | 2,111,802 |
| Provide for an elected public service commission . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 5       | 30                                                    | Initiatory Petition . . . . .                               | Nov. 1982        | Rejected | 1,026,160  | 1,771,098 |
| Allow legislature to approve or disapprove administrative<br>rules proposed by state agencies . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 4       | 37                                                    | House Joint Resolution "P" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1984, p. 1618  | Nov. 1984        | Rejected | 1,280,948  | 1,827,677 |
| Establish a natural resources trust fund and a board to ad-<br>minister it; to provide revenues for the fund from natural<br>resources leases and existing funds; specify and limit expend-<br>itures therefrom . . . . .                                                                                                                   | 9       | 35                                                    | House Joint Resolution "M" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1984, p. 1617  | Nov. 1984        | Approved | 2,066,554  | 1,120,794 |

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| Amend constitution relating to taxes, other revenues and voter or legislative approval for same .....                                                                                    | 9       | 1,2              | Initiatory Petition .....        | Nov. 1984        | Rejected | 1,376,141  | 2,035,867 |
| Allow establishment of the library of Michigan within the legislative branch .....                                                                                                       | 4       | 54               | House Joint Resolution "V" ..... | Nov. 1986        | Rejected | 908,627    | 936,643   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                  | P.A. 1986, p. 1543               |                  |          |            |           |
| Allow for approval or rejection of administrative rules by the legislature .....                                                                                                         | 4       | 37               | House Joint Resolution "W" ..... | Nov. 1986        | Rejected | 648,116    | 1,136,721 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                  | P.A. 1986, p. 1544               |                  |          |            |           |
| Expand authority of state officers compensation commission to determine compensation of attorney general and secretary of state .....                                                    | 4       | 12               | House Joint Resolution "U" ..... | Nov. 1986        | Rejected | 905,767    | 910,297   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                  | P.A. 1986, p. 1543               |                  |          |            |           |
| Provide for rights of crime victims .....                                                                                                                                                | 1       | 24               | House Joint Resolution "P" ..... | Nov. 1988        | Approved | 2,662,796  | 650,515   |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                  | P.A. 1988, p. 2163               |                  |          |            |           |
| Increase the sales/use tax from 4¢ to 4½¢ and dedicate funds for local schools .....                                                                                                     | 4       | 41               | House Joint Resolution "T" ..... | Nov. 1989        | Rejected | 514,407    | 1,341,292 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | 9       | 8,10,11          | P.A. 1989, p. 1793               |                  |          |            |           |
| Increase the sales/use tax from 4¢ to 6¢, reduce school property taxes, set permanent school operating millages not subject to voter renewal, and dedicate funds for local schools ..... | 4       | 41               | House Joint Resolution "I" ..... | Nov. 1989        | Rejected | 436,958    | 1,392,053 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | 9       | 3,5,6,8,10,11,14 | P.A. 1989, p. 1793               |                  |          |            |           |
| Limit annual increases in homestead property tax assessments and provide separate tax limitations for different property classifications .....                                           | 9       | 3,31             | House Joint Resolution "H" ..... | Nov. 1992        | Rejected | 1,433,354  | 2,384,777 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          |         |                  | P.A. 1991, p. 1321               |                  |          |            |           |
| Restrict/limit the number of times a person can be elected to congressional, state executive and state legislative offices ..                                                            | 2       | 10               | Initiatory Petition .....        | Nov. 1992        | Approved | 2,295,904  | 1,613,404 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | 4       | 54               |                                  |                  |          |            |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | 5       | 30               |                                  |                  |          |            |           |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | 12      | 4                |                                  |                  |          |            |           |
| Exempt property from a portion of school operating property taxes and limit annual increases in all property tax assessments .....                                                       | 9       | 3                | Initiatory Petition .....        | Nov. 1992        | Rejected | 1,552,119  | 2,276,360 |
| Limit property tax assessments and increase sales tax .....                                                                                                                              | 4       | 41               | House Joint Resolution "G" ..... | June 1993        | Rejected | 1,008,425  | 1,164,468 |
|                                                                                                                                                                                          | 9       | 3,6,8,10,11      |                                  |                  |          |            |           |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |         |                        |                                                             |                  |          | For        | Against   |
| Increase sales and use tax rates from 4% to 6%; limit annual increases in property tax assessments, exempt school operating millages from uniform taxation requirement, and require 3/4 vote of legislature to exceed statutorily established school operating millage rates . . . . . | 9       | 3,5,8,<br>11,36        | Senate Joint Resolution "S" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1993, p. 2484 | March 1994       | Approved | 1,684,541  | 750,952   |
| Call for constitutional convention . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |         |                        | Required by Const 1963, art 12, sec 3 . .                   | Nov. 1994        | Rejected | 777,779    | 2,008,070 |
| Limit criminal appeals . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 1       | 20                     | Senate Joint Resolution "D" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1994, p. 2659 | Nov. 1994        | Approved | 2,118,734  | 761,784   |
| Establish a Michigan state parks endowment fund, increase maximum allowable funds in Michigan natural resources trust fund, and eliminate diversion of dedicated revenue from Michigan natural resources trust fund . . . . .                                                          | 9       | 35,36                  | Senate Joint Resolution "E" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1994, p. 2661 | Nov. 1994        | Approved | 2,007,097  | 806,888   |
| Establish qualifications for judicial offices . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 6       | 19                     | Senate Joint Resolution "D" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1995, p. 2445 | Nov. 1996        | Approved | 2,806,833  | 629,402   |
| Establish the current Michigan Veterans' Trust Fund in the state constitution and require that expenditures from the fund be made solely for purposes authorized by the trust fund's board of trustees . . . . .                                                                       | 9       | 37,38,39               | House Joint Resolution "H" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1995, p. 2445  | Nov. 1996        | Approved | 2,447,905  | 849,525   |
| Change the word "handicapped" to "disabled" in the state constitution . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 8       | 8                      | Senate Joint Resolution "I" . . . . .<br>P.A. 1998, p. 2549 | Nov. 1998        | Approved | 1,708,873  | 1,181,138 |
| Permit the state to indirectly support nonpublic school students . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 8       | 2,10                   | Initiatory Petition . . . . .<br>P.A. 2000, p. 2420         | Nov. 2000        | Rejected | 1,235,533  | 2,767,320 |
| Require a 2/3 legislative vote to enact laws affecting local governments . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 4       | 55                     | Initiatory Petition . . . . .<br>P.A. 2000, p. 2421         | Nov. 2000        | Rejected | 1,242,516  | 2,548,995 |
| Amend the provision of the state constitution governing the operation of the state officers compensation commission (SOCC) . . . . .                                                                                                                                                   | 4       | 12                     | House Joint Resolution "E" . . . . .<br>P.A. 2001, p. 1733  | Aug. 2002        | Approved | 1,057,503  | 404,682   |
| Allow certain permanent and endowment funds to be invested as provided by law and increase allowed spending for state parks, local parks and outdoor recreation . . . . .                                                                                                              | 9       | 19,35,35a,<br>36[1],37 | Senate Joint Resolution "T" . . . . .<br>P.A. 2002, p. 2883 | Aug. 2002        | Approved | 925,475    | 565,971   |

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| Grant state classified employees the constitutional right to collective bargaining with binding arbitration . . . . . | 11      | 5       | Initiatory Petition . . . . .<br>P.A. 2002, p. 2899 | Nov. 2002        | Rejected | 1,336,249  | 1,591,756 |
| Reallocate the tobacco settlement revenue received by the state from cigarette manufacturers . . . . .                | 9       | 36      | Initiatory Petition . . . . .<br>P.A. 2002, p. 2903 | Nov. 2002        | Rejected | 1,018,644  | 2,011,105 |