



## STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

### PROPOSITION 1: SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 59

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the permanent technical institution infrastructure fund and the available workforce education fund to support the capital needs of educational programs offered by the Texas State Technical College System."

Summary: This amendment would create two dedicated state funds to support infrastructure, land acquisition, and equipment for the Texas State Technical College System (TSTC), seeded with an initial \$850 million from general revenue. These funds would operate outside the normal state budget and legislative oversight.

### PROPOSITION 2: SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 18

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of a tax on the realized or unrealized capital gains of an individual, family, estate, or trust."

Summary: This amendment would permanently prohibit the Texas Legislature from imposing any tax on capital gains, whether realized or unrealized. Texas currently does not have such a tax, so the measure functions as a safeguard to preserve the state's existing low-tax structure.

### PROPOSITION 4: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment to dedicate a portion of the revenue derived from state sales and use taxes to the Texas water fund and to provide for the allocation and use of that revenue."

Summary: This amendment would divert up to \$1 billion per year in existing sales tax revenue into a new Texas Water Fund to support water infrastructure projects. The funding would occur automatically each year, bypassing the normal legislative appropriations process, and would continue until 2035 unless extended by the legislature.

### PROPOSITION 6: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment prohibiting the legislature from enacting a law imposing an occupation tax on certain entities that enter into transactions conveying securities or imposing a tax on certain securities transactions."

Summary: This amendment would preemptively prohibit the Texas Legislature from imposing taxes on securities transactions or from creating new occupation taxes on registered financial market operators like brokers and exchanges. It aims to shield investors and financial institutions from future taxation in this space.

**VOTE YES ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4**



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### PROPOSITION 8: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment to prohibit the legislature from imposing death taxes applicable to a decedent's property or the transfer of an estate, inheritance, legacy, succession, or gift."

Summary: This amendment would permanently prohibit the Texas Legislature from imposing estate, inheritance, or gift taxes. Texas does not currently levy such taxes, so this measure acts as a safeguard to prevent future reintroduction.

### PROPOSITION 9: HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation a portion of the market value of tangible personal property a person owns that is held or used for the production of income."

Summary: This amendment would allow the Legislature to exempt up to \$250,000 of the market value of income-generating personal property, such as business equipment or tools, from local property taxes. The exemption would ease the tax burden on small businesses and the self-employed.

### PROPOSITION 14: SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 3

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment providing for the establishment of the Dementia Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, establishing the Dementia Prevention and Research Fund to provide money for research on and prevention and treatment of dementia, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, and related disorders in this state, and transferring to that fund \$3 billion from state general revenue."

Summary: This amendment would create a new state-run medical research institute and permanently dedicate \$3 billion from general revenue, plus up to \$300 million annually, for research and infrastructure related to dementia and other neurodegenerative diseases. The fund would exist outside the state's regular spending cap.

### PROPOSITION 16: SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 37

Ballot Language: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that a voter must be a United States citizen."

Summary: This amendment would explicitly state in the Texas Constitution that only U.S. citizens may vote in Texas elections. While current law already limits voting to citizens, this measure codifies that restriction in the Constitution to prevent future legal or policy changes allowing non-citizen voting.

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