

**PETITION TO PLACE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. CI-127 ON THE ELECTION BALLOT**

Subject to applicable laws and deadlines, if 10% of the voters in each of 40 legislative representative districts sign this petition and the total number of voters signing this petition is 60,359, this constitutional amendment will appear on the next general election ballot. If a majority of voters vote for this constitutional amendment at that election, it will become part of the constitution.

We, the undersigned Montana voters, propose that the Secretary of State place the following constitutional amendment on the November 5, 2024, general election ballot:

**Statement of Purpose and Implication:**

CI-127 amends the Montana Constitution to provide that elections for certain offices must be decided by majority vote as determined as provided by law rather than by a plurality or the largest amount of the votes. If it cannot be determined who received a majority of votes because two or more candidates are tied, then the winner of the election will be determined as provided by law. CI-127 applies to elections for governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, state representative, state senator, United States representative, United States Senator, and other offices as provided by law.

- YES on Constitutional Initiative CI-127
- NO on Constitutional Initiative CI-127

Voters are urged to read the complete text of the constitutional amendment, which appears with this sheet. A signature on this petition is only to put the constitutional amendment on the ballot and does not necessarily mean the signer agrees with the constitutional amendment.

Voters are advised that either an interim committee or an administrative committee of the legislature in accordance with 5-5-215 or 5-11-105 reviewed the content of this initiative and [did] or [did not] support the placement of the proposed text of this initiative on the ballot. The outcome of the vote was [x] in favor of placing the measure on the ballot and [x] against placing the measure on the ballot.

**WARNING**

A person who purposefully signs a name other than the person's own to this petition, who signs more than once for the same issue at one election, or who signs when not a legally registered Montana voter is subject to a \$500 fine, 6 months in jail, or both.

Each person is required to sign the person's name and list the person's address or telephone number in substantially the same manner as on the person's voter registration form or the signature will not be counted.

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**THE COMPLETE TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 127 (CI-127)**

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

**Section 1. Article IV, section 5 of The Constitution of the State of Montana is amended to read:**

**Section 5. Result of elections.** (1) As used in this section, the term “covered office” means the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction, state representative, state senator, United States representative, United States senator, and other offices as provided by law.

(2) In all elections held by the people for an office other than a covered office, the person or persons receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected.

(3) In all elections held by the people for a covered office, the person receiving a majority of votes as determined as provided by law shall be declared elected. If it cannot be determined which person received a majority of votes because two or more persons are tied, the elected person shall be determined as provided by law.

**NEW SECTION. Section 2. Severability.** If part of [this act] is invalid, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid part remain in effect. If a part of [this act] is invalid in one or more of its applications, the part remains in effect in all valid applications that are severable from the invalid applications.

**NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective January 1, 2025.

**NEW SECTION. Section 4. Applicability.** [This act] applies to elections held on or after January 1, 2025.

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