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Amendment G: Modify Property Tax Exemption for Veterans with Disabilities
MCDP Recommendation: YES

3,400 more veterans in Colorado will qualify for this property tax exemption if initiative passes, and it will expand existing law to capture all veterans with unemployability status. Qualifying individuals can reduce their property taxes by exempting 50 percent of the first \$200,000 of the value of their home. In 2023, the homestead exemption reduced property taxes for veterans and Gold Star spouses by an average of \$586.

Amendment H: Judicial Discipline Procedures and Confidentiality

MCDP Recommendation: YES

This measure is a compromise recommended by nearly all members of the General Assembly and, formally, by the Judicial Branch. If this passes, Colorado’s judicial system will be more accountable and transparent to the public.

Amendment I: Constitutional Bail Exception for First Degree Murder

MCDP Recommendation: YES

This measure closes a loophole that allows for those charged with first-degree murder to post bail. This loophole was inadvertently opened in 2020 when Colorado decided to abolish the death penalty.

Amendment J: Repealing the Definition of Marriage in the Constitution

MCDP Recommendation: YES

LGBTQ+ members of our community deserve the same access to marriage as anyone, and this initiative will allow our Constitution to better reflect our values regarding marriage being a basic right for all Coloradans. Repealing the current definition also protects Coloradans’ right to marriage should the Supreme Court ever overturn previous decisions.

Amendment K: Modify Constitutional Election Deadlines

MCDP Recommendation: YES

This measure will assist our election officials in conducting our elections to the best of their ability. The measure will give election officials more time to format, translate, and review ballots for accuracy before they are sent to voters. It also ensures that newspapers publish the content of ballot measures sooner and before voters receive their ballots.

Amendment 79: Right to Abortion

MCDP Recommendation: YES

Coloradans should have the freedom to decide for themselves whether to seek abortion care, without interference by politicians. Coloradans deserve the freedom to make personal, private healthcare decisions – and that right shouldn’t depend on the source of their health insurance or who is in office.

Amendment 80: School Choice in K-12 Education

MCDP Recommendation: NO

The Colorado Constitution already guarantees a free public education, and Colorado already has robust school choice laws that allow parents to choose from many public school options, or choose to educate their children in private or home schools. The measure may conflict with current law prohibiting public funding for private education and will require interpretation by the courts. Ultimately, this could result in redirecting funding

from public schools to private and home schools.

Proposition JJ: Retain Additional Sports Betting Tax Revenue

MCDP Recommendation: YES

Retaining ALL of the collected tax revenue from sports betting will strengthen financial support for water conservation and protection projects in Colorado, particularly as national demands on Colorado water increase. Voters approved retention of revenue from sports betting and capped it at \$29M in 2019; this initiative allows for collection of all revenue above that cap.

Proposition KK: Firearms and Ammunition Excise Tax

MCDP Recommendation: YES

While gun violence continues to rise, funding for these services has not been reliable. Securing reliable funding for victim and mental health services for communities and individuals impacted by gun violence is an important goal of this measure. This initiative addresses funding insecurity for veterans, crime victims, and behavioral health programs while exempting law enforcement officers, agencies and active-duty military service members from the tax.

Proposition 127: Prohibit Trophy Hunting of Mountain Lions, Lynx, and Bobcats

MCDP Recommendation: NO POSITION

Wildlife management is best conducted at the discretion of experts in the field, government agencies, and wildlife advocates, not at the ballot box, and the impact of increased mountain lion populations on humans and livestock interactions is unknown.

Proposition 128: Concerning Eligibility for Parole

MCDP Recommendation: NO

It removes the opportunity for convicted people to achieve earned time, giving them less incentive to comply with prison rules or take advantage of rehabilitation opportunities offered in prison. The prison population will grow if it passes, costing the state an extra \$28 million, and negatively impacting Colorado prisons already struggling with staffing and retention. There is no evidence that the measure will reduce crime rates, nor that increased penalties deter crime in general. Colorado should instead invest in addressing the root causes of crime, including income inequality and a lack of community resources.

Proposition 129: Establishing Veterinary Professional Associates

MCDP Recommendation: NO POSITION

Policies regarding veterinarian services are best contemplated by experts in the field, government agencies, agriculture interests, and wildlife/animal advocates, not at the ballot box.

Proposition 130: Funding for Law Enforcement

MCDP Recommendation: NO POSITION

This measure is an unfunded mandate that doesn't raise any revenue in our budget for law enforcement officers or agencies. Law enforcement officers and agencies deserve more than political tactics and messaging measures meant to create negative ads: they deserve dedicated sustainable funding sources that don't result in possible cuts to other critical public services, such as K-12 education and crime prevention policies.

Proposition 131: Establishing All-Candidate Primary and Ranked Choice Voting

General Elections
MCDP Recommendation: NO

The organization Ranked Choice Voting for Colorado has decided to remain neutral on this initiative because of deep concerns with this initiative, despite their desire to see ranked choice voting in our state. Although MCDP supports ranked choice voting in our platform, we agree with them that this is not the way to do it. This proposition would complicate the voting process, favor wealthier candidates, confuse voters, and fail to deliver a better system.