

# Proposed Texas Constitutional Amendments

## **Proposition 1 (SJR 59): Texas State Technical College funding – FOR**

"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."

## **Proposition 2 (SJR 18): Capital gains tax ban – AGAINST**

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

## **Proposition 3 (SJR 5): Bail reform – AGAINST**

"The constitutional amendment requiring the denial of bail under certain circumstances to persons accused of certain offenses punishable as a felony."

## **Proposition 4 (HJR 7): Water infrastructure funding – FOR**

"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."

## **Proposition 5 (HJR 99): Tax exemption on animal feed – AGAINST**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property consisting of animal feed held by the owner of the property for sale at retail."

## **Proposition 6 (HJR 4): Securities tax ban – AGAINST**

"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."

**Proposition 7 (HJR 133): Tax exemption for veterans' spouses – FOR**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a veteran who died as a result of a condition or disease that is presumed under federal law to have been service-connected."

**Proposition 8 (HJR 2): Inheritance tax ban – AGAINST**

"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."

**Proposition 9 (HJR 1): Inventory and equipment tax exemption – FOR**

"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."

**Proposition 10 (SJR 84): Tax exemption for homes destroyed by fire – FOR**

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide for a temporary exemption from ad valorem taxation of the appraised value of an improvement to a residence homestead that is completely destroyed by a fire."

**Proposition 11 (SJR 85): School tax exemption for the elderly or disabled homeowners – FOR**

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to increase the amount of the exemption from ad valorem taxation by a school district of the market value of the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled."

**Proposition 12 (SJR 27): Changing the State Judicial Conduct Commission – AGAINST**

"The constitutional amendment regarding the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, the membership of the tribunal to review the commission's recommendations, and the authority of the commission, the tribunal, and the Texas Supreme Court to more effectively sanction judges and justices for judicial misconduct."

**Proposition 13 (SJR 2): Increased school tax exemption for homeowners – FOR**

"The constitutional amendment to increase the amount of the exemption of residence homesteads from ad valorem taxation by a school district from \$100,000 to \$140,000."

**Proposition 14 (SJR 3): Funding for dementia research and prevention – CWA 6132 - FOR**

"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."

**Proposition 15 (SJR 34): Codifying parental rights – AGAINST**

"The constitutional amendment affirming that parents are the primary decision makers for their children."

**Proposition 16 (SJR 37): Clarifying citizenship requirement for voters – AGAINST**

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

**Proposition 17 (HJR 34): Property tax exemption for border security infrastructure – AGAINST**

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the amount of the market value of real property located in a county that borders the United Mexican States that arises from the installation or construction on the property of border security infrastructure and related improvements."

The CWA Local 6132 Legislative and Political Committee reviewed the proposed amendments and based their recommendations on the potential impact to our members and working-class families throughout Texas.

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