

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

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<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 1 Shall Section Twelve of Article Three of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows? Section 12. The printing and binding for the State Government shall be done under contract or by the State Government. The furnishings and fuel for the Capitol buildings, and paper and stationery for the State Government, shall be made or produced by the State Government or produced under contract. Contracts for work or material designated in this section shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, subject to the approval of the Auditor General and of the State Treasurer. No member of the General Assembly, or officer of any department of the State Government, shall be in any way interested in such contracts.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 2 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto Section Eighteen which reads as follows? Section 18. Provided, That the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds, to the amount of eight million dollars (\$8,000,000), for the erection and equipment at the Pennsylvania State College of buildings necessary for the uses and purposes of the institution as defined in its charter.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 3 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto Section Sixteen, which reads as follows? Section 16. In addition to the purposes stated in article nine, section four of this Constitution, the State may be authorized by law to issue bonds, to the amount of twenty-five millions of dollars, for the purpose of acquiring land in the State for forest purposes.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 4 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto Section Seventeen, which reads as follows? Section 17. In addition to the purposes stated in article nine, section four of this Constitution, the State may be authorized by law to issue bonds, to the amount of five millions of dollars, for the purpose of acquiring and erecting buildings and equipping the same for the use of the Pennsylvania National Guard.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 5 Shall Section One of Article Nine of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows? All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but, in the case of inheritance taxes, exemptions as to subjects of taxation or as to amount may be granted by general laws; and the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of purely public charity.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 6 Shall Section Eleven of Article Eight of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows? Townships, and wards of cities or boroughs, shall form or be divided into election districts of compact and contiguous territory, in such manner as the court of quarter sessions of the city or county in which the same are located may direct; but the courts of quarter sessions, having jurisdiction therein, shall have power to divide or change the boundaries of election districts whenever the court of the proper county shall be of opinion that the convenience of the electors and the public interests will be promoted thereby.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 7 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following new section? Section 16. The General Assembly may authorize the city of Pittsburgh to levy special assessments against both abutting and non-abutting property, peculiarly benefited, for the payment of any public improvement whatsoever; to lay out and build as additional public improvements, for the payment of which properties peculiarly benefited shall be liable to special assessments, rapid transit railway systems, drainage and sewerage systems, flood protective works, wharves, piers and quays, highway tunnels and bridges, and underground and overhead streets supplementing original streets or street systems; to levy general and special taxes and special assessments therefor either before or after the laying out and construction thereof; and to provide that all special taxes and special assessments so levied, whether payable presently when so levied or in installments over a period of years, shall be credits or offsets to indebtedness incurred for such purposes in calculating the debt of such city; to provide for the use and operation of any rapid transit system by private corporations organized for that purpose. No law passed in pursuance hereof shall authorize the construction of any rapid transit railway system, flood protective works, wharves, piers, or quays, highway tunnels or underground or overhead streets, unless at a public election held therefor a majority of the electors voting thereon shall consent thereto.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 8 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following section? Section 16. The debt of any city of the second class shall never exceed ten per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such city of the second class incur any new debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property without the consent of the electors thereof, at a public election, in such manner as shall be provided by law.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 9 Shall Article Nine, Section Four of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows? Section 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State except to supply casual deficiencies of revenues, repel invasions, suppress insurrection, defend the State in war, or to pay existing debt; and the debt created to supply deficiencies in revenue shall never exceed in the aggregate at any time one million dollars: Provided, however, That the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of one hundred and fifty millions of dollars for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 10 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following section? Section 19. In addition to the purposes stated in article nine, section four, of this Constitution, the State may be authorized to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars (\$50,000,000), for the acquisition of lands and buildings and the construction and improvement of State-owned buildings and the equipment thereof, for the care and maintenance of penal offenders, delinquents, mental defectives, epileptics, and persons mentally diseased.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 11 Shall Article Nine Section Eight of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows? Section 8. The debt of any city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, except as provided herein and in section fifteen of this article, shall never exceed seven (7) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, and the debt of any county except as provided in section fifteen of this article shall never exceed ten (10) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable realty therein, but the debt of the city of Philadelphia may be increased in such amount that the total city debt of said city shall not exceed fourteen (14) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable realty therein, nor shall any such county, municipality, or district incur any new debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two (2) per centum upon such assessed valuation of taxable realty in the case of counties, or taxable property in the case of other municipalities or districts, without the consent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but the city of Philadelphia may incur any debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount not exceeding three per centum of the valuation of taxable realty in said city without the consent of the electors. In ascertaining the borrowing capacity of the city of Philadelphia at any time there shall be deducted from such debt so much of the debt of said city as shall have been incurred or is about to be incurred and the proceeds thereof expended or about to be expended upon any public improvement, or in the construction, purchase, or condemnation of any public utility or part thereof or facility therefor to the extent that such public improvement or public utility or part thereof, whether separately or in connection with any other public improvement or public utility or part thereof, may yield or may reasonably be expected to yield revenue in excess of operating expenses for or towards the payment of the interest and sinking-fund charges thereon. The method of determining such amount so to be deducted shall be prescribed by the General Assembly. In incurring indebtedness for any purpose the city of Philadelphia may issue its obligations, maturing not later than fifty (50) years from the date thereof, with provision for a sinking-fund sufficient to retire said obligations at maturity; the payment to such sinking-fund to be in equal or graded, annual, or other periodical installments. Where any indebtedness shall be or shall have been incurred by said city of Philadelphia for the purpose of the construction or improvements of public works or utilities of any character from which income or revenue is to be derived by said city or for the redemption of wharves or docks owned or to be owned by said city, such obligations may be in an amount sufficient to provide for and may include the amount of the interest and sinking-fund charges accruing and which may accrue thereon throughout the period of construction and until the expiration of one year after the completion of the work for which said indebtedness shall have been incurred, and said city shall not be required to levy a tax to pay said interest and sinking-fund charges, as required by section ten, article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, until the expiration of said period of one year after the completion of said work.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 12 Shall Article Nine of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto a section which reads as follows? Section 1 B. Taxation laws may grant exemptions or rebates to residents, or estates of residents, of other States which grant similar exemptions or rebates to residents, or estates of residents, of Pennsylvania.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 13 Shall Article Eight Section Seven of the Constitution be amended so as to read as follows? Section 7. All laws regulating the holding of elections by the citizens, or for the registration of electors, shall be uniform throughout the State, except that laws regulating and requiring the registration of electors may be enacted to apply to cities only, provided that such laws be uniform for cities of the same class, and except further, that the General Assembly shall, by general law, permit the use of voting machines, or other mechanical devices for registering or recording and computing the vote, at all elections or primaries, in any county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth, at the option of the electors of such county, city, borough or township, without being obliged to require the use of such voting machines or mechanical devices in any other county, city, borough or township, under such regulations with reference thereto as the General Assembly may from time to time prescribe. The General Assembly may from time to time prescribe the number and duties of election officers in any political subdivision of the Commonwealth in which voting machines or other mechanical devices authorized by this section may be used.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p align="center">PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NO. 14 Shall Article Fifteen of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section Four thereof? Section 4. The General Assembly is hereby authorized to provide for the consolidation of the county, poor districts, cities, boroughs and townships of the county of Allegheny, and the offices thereof, into a consolidated city and county, with the constitutional and legal capacity of a municipal corporation, to be known as the City of Pittsburgh, and to provide for a charter for its government. The said charter shall be submitted to the electors of said county, at a special election to be provided for therein. If the majority of the electors voting thereon, in the county as a whole, and at least two-thirds of all the electors voting thereon in each of a majority of the cities, boroughs and townships thereof, vote in the affirmative, the act shall take effect for the whole county. If rejected, the said charter may be resubmitted to the electors in original new or modified form, at any subsequent election until adopted. It shall be competent, subject to the police power of the State, for the Legislature to provide in said charter: 1. For the exercise, by the consolidated city, of all the powers and duties vested in the county of Allegheny, and the poor districts thereof, and such other powers appropriate to a municipality as may be specified therein, except such powers as are specifically reserved by this section to the municipal divisions herein provided for. 2. For the election, by the people of the consolidated city, of a board of commissioners, the number to be fixed by the charter, in lieu of present county commissioners, in which board shall be vested all the powers of the consolidated city and county, except as otherwise provided in the charter. 3. For the organization of a government for the consolidated city and county, and for the election or appointment of the constitutional and other necessary officers thereof, and for their powers and duties. 4. For the organization of all courts, other than those of record, in the consolidated city, and for the procedure thereof, and for the appointment of judges and officers thereof, which courts shall exercise the jurisdiction, powers and duties of the magistrates, aldermen and justices of the peace and such other powers as may be conferred by law. 5. For the transfer to the consolidated city of the property and indebtedness of the county of Allegheny, and the poor districts thereof, and of such property and indebtedness of the cities, boroughs and townships thereof as relate to the powers and duties of said consolidated city, and to provide for an equitable adjustment and payment of such indebtedness, and for this purpose, any taxation therein shall be uniform taxation within the meaning and intent of other provisions of this Constitution. 6. For the assessment of property for taxation, the levying and collection of taxes, and the payment of the cost of any public improvement, in whole or in part, by special assessment upon abutting and non-abutting property materially benefited thereby, and, for this purpose, real estate so charged shall be classified as urban, suburban and rural, and assessments made in accordance with such classifications. 7. For the creation, by the board of commissioners, of districts for the purpose of regulating the location, height, area, bulk and use of buildings and premises. 8. For the creation, by the board of commissioners, of special districts for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, maintaining, operating or contracting for, any public property, work, improvement, utility or service, not for the exclusive benefit of any one municipal division, and for the payment of the costs and maintenance of such property, work, improvement, utility or service therefor may be special taxes levied throughout such special districts respectively, separate and apart from the general city tax. Provided, however, That it is the intent of this section that substantial powers be reserved to the cities, boroughs and townships situated in Allegheny County. To this end the charter shall provide for the continued existence of the said cities, boroughs and townships, as municipal divisions of the consolidated city, under their present names and forms of government, subject to the laws provided for government of municipalities of their respective forms and classes, except as provided in the charter, and with their present boundaries, provided that the city of Pittsburgh may be designated by a term other than city and may be divided into two or more municipal divisions, and that any two or more municipal divisions of the consolidated city may, with the consent of a majority of the electors voting thereon in each of such divisions at any general or special election, be united to form a single municipal division. The said municipal divisions shall have and continue to possess the following powers: 1. The constitutional and legal capacity of municipal corporations, except as limited in the charter. 2. The power to lay and collect taxes and to incur indebtedness, subject to the limitations which are or may be imposed by law upon cities, boroughs or townships of corresponding classification, for the purpose of carrying out any lawful power of said divisions. 3. The power to acquire, own, construct, maintain, operate or contract for all kinds of public property, works, improvements, utilities or services, which shall be within the municipal division, and principally for the use and benefit of the inhabitants thereof, provided this power shall not be taken to include the construction and maintenance of through-traffic streets and bridges, tunnels, subways and appurtenances thereof, nor main or trunk lines for sewer, power and water service, running through more than one municipal division, and designated as such by the board of commissioners. 4. The power to maintain a local police force, and local fire department, with the necessary buildings, appurtenances and equipment therefor, which may be supplemental to the police force and fire department of the consolidated city. 5. The power to establish a limitation of indebtedness for the consolidated city and the municipal divisions thereof, provided that the total of the indebtedness of the consolidated city and the municipal divisions thereof shall not, in the aggregate, exceed the limits of the total indebtedness allowed by the Constitution to the county and to the separate municipalities. 6. All other powers not specifically granted by the charter to the consolidated city: Provided, however, That a municipal division may surrender, by majority vote of the electors voting thereon at any general or special election, any of its powers to the consolidated city, subject to the acceptance thereof by the board of commissioners. The said charter may be amended by the Legislature, subject to ratification by a majority of the electors of the consolidated city voting thereon at any general or special election: Provided, That no amendment reducing the powers of municipal divisions shall be effective unless ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon in each of a majority of said divisions.</p>	<p align="center">YES <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p align="center">NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>