Idaho Voters' Pamphlet

Concerning Proposed Constitutional Amendment H.J.R. 2

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Dear Idahoan:

This is your Idaho Voters' Pamphlet containing information concerning constitutional amendment H.J.R. 2 that will appear on the November 4, 2014 General Election ballot. It contains the ballot question, the statement of meaning, purpose and result to be accomplished, as well as statements for and against the proposed amendment. The statements for and against H.J.R. 2 have been developed as prescribed by law by the Legislative Council.

Important information is included regarding other information pertaining to the election process.

Read carefully the information about H.J.R. 2 contained in this pamphlet. You, the electorate, have the final say on amending our state constitution and influencing the laws which regulate us all.

Visit our internet site at www.idahovotes.gov for additional election information.

Take advantage of this opportunity and vote on November 4, 2014.

Sincerely,

BEN YSURSA

SECRETARY OF STATE

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

The Legislature proposed an amendment to the Idaho Constitution to be submitted to voters on the November 4, 2014 General Election Ballot.

H.J.R. 2

"Shall Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended by the addition of a new section 29, to confirm that the legislature may authorize executive rulemaking; however, the legislature shall not relinquish oversight, which such oversight is done by approval or rejection, in whole or in part, of an executive rule; and to provide that the legislature's approval or rejection of such a rule shall not require the approval of the governor?"

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Idaho: Section 29, Article III

Legislative Council's Statement of Meaning, Purpose and Result to be Accomplished of Proposed Amendment:

The Legislature's ability to approve or reject executive rules is an important aspect of the separation of powers, because these rules have the force and effect of law. Existing law allows Idaho state agencies to make rules that implement or interpret statutes passed by the Legislature. The Legislature currently oversees that rulemaking process by accepting or rejecting adopted rules. The proposed amendment confirms and protects the Legislature's practice to authorize executive branch rulemaking, and to accept or reject adopted rules.

Statements FOR the Proposed Amendment

- 1. Legislative review of executive rulemaking is necessary to ensure that Idahoans have a responsible state government. Executive rules are written by executive branch state agencies. These rules describe how laws passed by the Legislature will be interpreted and implemented. These rules impact the lives of Idaho citizens, as state agencies regulate businesses, licenses, benefits, and fees. The Legislature's oversight of agency rules can limit agency overreaching into the rights and lives of Idahoans and its businesses.
- 2. Legislative review of the executive rulemaking is necessary to ensure the separation of powers between the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of Idaho government. Executive branch agencies write and adopt rules. Legislative review of agency rules ensures agency restraint and adherence to the law. Placing the Legislature's review authority in the Idaho Constitution protects that authority and the rights of Idaho citizens.

Statements AGAINST the Proposed Amendment

- 1. Legislative review of executive rulemaking may infringe on executive branch power by the Legislature. By providing that the Legislature shall not relinquish its executive rulemaking oversight, the proposed amendment potentially could impact the ability of the executive branch to direct and manage the affairs of the state.
- 2. The proposed amendment is unnecessary. Legislative review is currently authorized by statute, and affirmed by the Idaho Supreme Court. As a result, legislative authority is adequately protected.

Voter Qualifications, Registration and Voting

Party Affiliation:

Party affiliation is **not** required for the General Election.

An Idaho Voter Must Be:

- A Citizen of the United States:
- At least 18 years of age on Election Day;
- A resident in the state and in the county for thirty (30) days prior to Election Day;
- Registered as required by law.

REGISTRATION

Where and When to Register:

Applicants may register before the General Election with the County Clerk thru October 10, 2014. This deadline shall also apply to any registrars the County Clerk may have appointed.

Any elector may register by mail. Any mail registration application must be received by the County Clerk not later than 25 days preceding any election provided that any mail registration application postmarked not later than 25 days prior to an election shall be deemed timely. Last day to pre-register for the November 4 General Election is October 10, 2014.

An individual who is eligible to vote may register on Election Day by appearing in person at the polling place for the precinct in which the individual maintains residence, by completing a registration card, making an oath in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State and providing proof of residence. All documents used in providing proof of residence shall be accompanied with a photo ID. Only the following documents showing the registrant's current address in the precinct are authorized:

- A valid Idaho driver's license issued through the department of transportation.
- A valid Idaho ID card issued through the department of transportation.
- Any document which contains a valid address in the precinct together with a picture identification card

Students may also use:

 A current valid student photo ID card from a post secondary educational institution in Idaho accompanied with a current student fee statement that contains the student's valid address in the precinct.

Re-registration - When Required:

Re-registration is required if the voter has failed to vote at least once at a Primary or General election during the four years following registration, and the County Clerk has consequently canceled the registration, or if the voter moves or changes their name.

VOTING

A registered voter must either present a photo ID or sign a Personal Identification Affidavit. Forms of photo identification shall be any one of the following:

- An Idaho driver's license or identification card issued by the Idaho Transportation Department.
- A U.S. passport or Federal photo identification card issued by an agency of the United States Government.
- A tribal photo identification card.
- A current student photo ID, issued by a high school or post secondary education institution located within the State of Idaho.

If a voter is not able to show an acceptable ID, the voter will be given the opportunity to sign the Personal Identification Affidavit. On the Affidavit, the voter swears to his/her identity under penalty of perjury, a felony under 34-1114, Idaho Code. After signing the Affidavit, the voter will be issued a ballot to be tabulated with all other ballots.

Absentee Voting:

Any registered voter may make application in writing to the County Clerk to receive an absentee ballot. Applications are available from the Clerk's office or by sending a written request with the required information (name of elector, residence address in Idaho and mailing address to which ballot is to be forwarded) to the County Clerk. Applications and written requests must be personally signed by the elector. Applications for absentee ballots may be made by using a facsimile or other electronic transmission.

October 29, 2014 is the last day for *mail-in* absentee ballot applications to be received by the County Clerk prior to General Election until 5:00 p.m. The application must be signed personally by the applicant.

Absentee ballots must be delivered to the office of the County Clerk by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day in order to be counted.

In-person or early absentee voting is available in the office of the County Clerk or elections office until 5:00 p.m. on October 31, 2014.

Accessible Voting Options:

Idaho has several options for accessible voting. Contact your County Clerk for information on all accessible voting options, including instructions on how to request an absentee ballot.

Voting with the assistance of a person of the voter's choice:

Electors may receive assistance with voting from any person of their choice. You may also ask for assistance from a poll worker.

The ballot marking device:

In compliance with the Help America Vote Act, Federal grant funding has purchased a ballot marking device for each polling place in the state. The ballot marking device will assist voters who have difficulty reading or marking a ballot to vote privately and independently. The ballot marking device is intended to assist the visually impaired, voters with disabilities and the elderly.

Special circumstances:

Curbside assistance is available to any voter who has difficulty getting into the polling place or cannot stand in line.

Absentee Voting by mail:

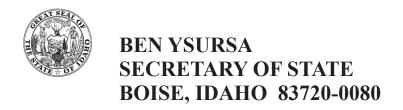
In previous elections many electors with special needs have requested an absentee ballot from their County Clerk. You may vote absentee by submitting a completed and signed request for an absentee ballot. The request for an absentee ballot must be received in your County Clerk's office by October 29, 2014. Upon verification of registration a ballot will be mailed to you.

For more election information, including how to find out if you are registered and where your polling place is, visit our website at:

www.idahovotes.gov.

COUNTY ELECTION OFFICES

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Ada	400 N Benjamin Ln, Ste 100 Boise, ID 83704	287-6860
Adams	PO Box 48, Council, ID 83612-0048	253-4561
Bannock	PO Box 6094, Pocatello, ID 83205-6094	236-7329
Bear Lake	PO Box 190, Paris, ID 83261-0190	945-2212
Benewah	701 W College Ave Ste 101, St Maries, ID 83861-1852	245-3212
Bingham	501 N Maple St #205, Blackfoot, ID 83221-1776	782-3164
Blaine	206 1st Ave South #200, Hailey, ID 83333-8429	788-5510
Boise	PO Box 1300, Idaho City, ID 83631-1300	392-4431
Bonner	1500 Hwy 2 Ste 337, Sandpoint, ID 83864-1794	255-3631
Bonneville	605 N Capital Ave, Idaho Falls, ID 83402-3582	529-1363
Boundary	PO Box 419, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805-0419	267-2242
Butte	PO Box 737, Arco, ID 83213-0737	527-3021
Camas	PO Box 430, Fairfield, ID 83327-0430	764-2242
Canyon	1102 E Chicago, Caldwell, ID 83605-3522	454-7563
Caribou	PO Box 775, Soda Springs, ID 83276-0775	547-4324
Cassia	1459 Overland Ave, Rm 105, Burley, ID 83318-1862	878-5240
Clark	PO Box 205, Dubois, ID 83423-0205	374-5304
Clearwater	PO Box 586, Orofino, ID 83544-0586	476-5615
Custer	PO Box 385, Challis, ID 83226-0385	879-2360
Elmore	150 S 4th E #3, Mountain Home, ID 83647-3000	587-2131
Franklin	39 W Oneida, Preston, ID 83263-1232	852-1090
Fremont	151 W 1st N #12, St Anthony, ID 83445-1548	624-7332
Gem	415 E Main, Room 202, Emmett, ID 83617-3096	365-4561
Gooding	PO Box 417, Gooding, ID 83330-0417	934-4841
Idaho	320 W Main Rm 5, Grangeville, ID 83530-1948	983-2751
Jefferson	210 Courthouse Way Ste 100, Rigby, ID 83442-5294	745-7756
Jerome	300 N Lincoln Rm 301, Jerome, ID 83338-2344	644-2714
Kootenai	PO Box 9000, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83816-9000	446-1030
Latah	PO Box 8068, Moscow, ID 83843-0568	883-2249
Lemhi	206 Courthouse Drive, Salmon, ID 83467-3900	756-2815
Lewis	510 Oak St Rm 1, Nezperce, ID 83543-5065	937-2661
Lincoln	111 West B St Ste C, Shoshone, ID 83352-5364	886-7641
Madison	PO Box 389, Rexburg, ID 83440-0389	359-6219
Minidoka	PO Box 368, Rupert, ID 83350-0368	436-9511
Nez Perce	PO Box 896, Lewiston, ID 83501-0896	799-3020
Oneida	10 Court Street, Malad, ID 83252-1200	766-4116
Owyhee	PO Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650-0128	495-2421
Payette	1130 3rd Ave N Rm 104, Payette, ID 83661-2473	642-6000
Power	543 Bannock Ave, American Falls, ID 83211-1200	226-7611
Shoshone	700 Bank Street #120, Wallace, ID 83873-2348	752-1264
Teton	150 Courthouse Dr. #208, Driggs, ID 83422	354-8780
Twin Falls	PO Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0126	736-4004
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P.O. Box 186 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83816 Phone: (208) 983-4220 www.cpidaho.org Floyd Whitley, Chairman

Libertarian Party of Idaho

1421 Dearborn St. Caldwell, ID 83605 Phone: (208) 459-1032 www.lpid.org Rob Oates, Chairman

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