GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 8, 2022
Election Day Voting from 8:00 a.m. — 8:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES
VOTER PRE-REGISTRATION
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Dear Idahoan,

This Voter Pamphlet has been prepared to help serve as a reference for you. The information presented here is intended to help you make an informed decision at the polls. By voting, you have the right to help select your local, state, and national leaders. You also have a part in making Idaho's laws.

Included in this pamphlet is important information on voter identification requirements, registering to vote, voting accessibility, and absentee voting options. You can check your voter registration status anytime by visiting VoteIdaho.gov. This website will also help you find the location of your polling place, register to vote, update your voter registration, and request an absentee ballot. VoteIdaho.gov also has helpful information on voting accessibility and the many types of voter assistance available in Idaho.

Every vote counts. Voting is one of your most powerful rights and an important responsibility. I encourage you to take the opportunity to let your voice be heard by voting in the General Election on Tuesday, November 8. Your vote is important.

Sincerely,

Lawerence Denney
Secretary of State
AMENDMENT TO IDAHO CONSTITUTION SJR 102

A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 8, ARTICLE III, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO RELATING TO SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE; STATING THE QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORATE; DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO PREPARE THE STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PUBLISH THE AMENDMENT AND ARGUMENTS AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 8, Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to read as follows:

Section 8. SESSIONS OF LEGISLATURE. (1) The regular sessions of the legislature shall must be held annually at the capital of the state, commencing on the second Monday of January of each year, unless a different day shall have been appointed by law, and at other times in extraordinary sessions when convened by the governor and in organizational sessions commencing on the first Thursday of December after the general election, unless a different day shall have been appointed by law.

(2) The legislature, while remaining a part-time, citizen legislature, must also be convened in special session by the president pro tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives upon receipt of a joint written petition of at least sixty percent of the membership of each house, specifying the subjects to be considered. Such special session must commence no later than fifteen days after the petition is received by the president pro tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives. At a special session convened pursuant to this section, the legislature shall have no power to consider or pass any bills or resolutions on any subjects other than those specified in the petition and those necessary to provide for the expenses of the session.

SECTION 2. The question to be submitted to the electors of the State of Idaho at the next general election shall be as follows:

"Shall Section 8, Article III, of the Constitution of the State of Idaho be amended to provide that the Legislature must convene in organizational sessions commencing on the first Thursday of December after the general election, unless a different day shall have been appointed by law, and in special session by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than fifteen days following the receipt of a joint written petition of at least sixty percent of the membership of each house specifying subjects to be considered, and to provide that the Legislature shall have no power in such a special session to consider or pass any bills or resolutions on any subjects other than those specified in the petition and those necessary to provide for the expenses of the session?"

SECTION 3. The Legislative Council is directed to prepare the statements required by Section 67-453, Idaho Code, and file the same.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of State is hereby directed to publish this proposed constitutional amendment and arguments as required by law.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF MEANING, PURPOSE, AND RESULT TO BE ACCOMPLISHED

Currently, the Legislature may meet in a special session only upon call of the Governor. The proposed amendment would allow the Legislature to convene itself in special session if 60% of the members in each house submit a petition to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The petition must specify the subjects to be addressed in the special session, and only those subjects could be considered during the special session.

The amendment also requires the Legislature to hold an organizational session in December following a general election. The purpose of the organizational session is to prepare for the upcoming regular session. The proposed amendment would formalize in the Idaho Constitution the Legislature’s longstanding practice of holding an organizational session.
WHAT YOUR VOTE WILL DO:

**YES**  
A YES vote would **APPROVE** the proposed Idaho Constitutional Amendment to allow the Legislature to convene itself in special session if 60% of the members in each house submit a petition to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**NO**  
A NO vote would make **NO CHANGE** to the current Idaho Constitution.

STATEMENTS FOR THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1. This constitutional amendment is needed to correct an imbalance of power among the three branches of government. The executive and judicial branches of government have no restrictions on their ability to conduct business when and as they deem appropriate, and the legislative branch should have the same power.

2. Idaho is one of just 12 states whose legislature has no power to convene itself into a special session under certain circumstances. The Idaho Legislature should not be dependent on the Governor to call it into special session when extraordinary events occur. For example, in 2020, the Idaho Legislature wished to convene to consider Covid-19 matters and the expenditure of federal funding related to the pandemic but the Governor delayed convening the Legislature. Idaho should join the 38 states (including all of Idaho’s neighboring states) that recognize the legislative branch of government's right to determine independently when it should convene and conduct the business of the people it represents.

3. Authorizing the Legislature to convene itself into special session will prevent the need for one or both houses of the Legislature to defer adjourning sine die indefinitely as happened in 2021 when the House of Representatives wanted to preserve its right to take up anticipated issues later in the year. Deferring the date of adjourning sine die results in numerous administrative problems such as delaying effective dates of legislation and administrative rules. If the Legislature is able to convene itself, there will be no need to avoid adjourning sine die.

4. The proposed amendment contains sufficient safeguards against any potential abuse of power by limiting the subjects of legislation to be considered during a special session to those listed in the petition, just as a special session called by the Governor is limited to the subjects listed in the Governor's proclamation.

STATEMENTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1. The Legislature has conducted its business for over 130 years without needing the ability to call itself into special session. This constitutional amendment is not necessary because the Governor has called and can continue to call the Legislature into a special session when necessary. Passing this amendment would remove a check and balance from the Idaho Constitution.

2. The Idaho Legislature is a part-time citizen legislature. The proposed amendment provides no limitations on how often special sessions may be called or how long they may last. Idaho should not move toward having a full-time legislature, and Idaho’s part-time citizen legislators with other careers should not be burdened with sudden, unpredictable special sessions.

3. Idaho businesses and citizens need the stable, predictable, and routine timeline of the regular legislative session to communicate with legislators regarding the effects that pending legislation may have on businesses and citizens. The ability of the Legislature to convene itself into various special sessions may result in the passage of legislation that has not been properly vetted and could result in unintended consequences for Idaho businesses and citizens.

4. The proposed amendment requires a petition signed by only 60% of the members of each house of the Legislature. This threshold is too low. Many states require a higher percentage, such as 67% or 75%. A higher percentage would deter the Legislature from convening itself for subjects that may be trivial, vague, or not widely agreed upon.
DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO USING THE RECORD BUDGET SURPLUS TO REFUND $500 MILLION BACK TO HARDWORKING IDAHO TAXPAYERS, CUT ONGOING INCOME TAXES BY MORE THAN $150 MILLION, AND PUT MORE MONEY IN OUR CLASSROOMS BY INCREASING EDUCATION AND STUDENT FUNDING BY A RECORD $410 MILLION?

YOUR APPROVAL OF THIS EFFORT WOULD COMBAT HISTORIC INFLATION BY RETURNING MONEY TO THE TAXPAYERS, CREATING A SIMPLE FLAT TAX, AND MAKING THE SINGLE LARGEST INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC EDUCATION IN IDAHO HISTORY.

As a voter, your ballot will ask whether you "Approve" or "Disapprove."

CURIOSITY ABOUT IDAHO ELECTIONS?

The Idaho Voter Education project has the answers!

This fun and entertaining video series covers everything from how to register, how election officials maintain the voter rolls, absentee voting, tabulation of votes, election certification, and much more!

Check it out today at voteidaho.gov/voter-education/

Democracy demands an educated and informed electorate.

— Thomas Jefferson
**VOTER IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

A poll worker will ask you to provide identification. Accepted forms of photo identification may be any one of the following: (1) An Idaho driver’s license or Idaho photo identification card. (2) A U.S. passport or Federal photo identification card. (3) A tribal photo identification card. (4) A current student photo ID, issued by a high school or accredited post secondary education institution in Idaho. (5) A license to carry a concealed weapon issued by a county sheriff in Idaho. If you are unable to present an acceptable form of photo identification, you may choose to sign a personal identification affidavit swearing to your identity and then vote.

**VOTER REGISTRATION**

You can register to vote online or by mail up to 25 days before Election Day. After the pre-registration deadline, you can still register in person at your polling place on Election Day and then vote. For additional information about registering to vote, please visit VoteIdaho.gov or contact your county clerk’s office.

**ACCESSIBILITY**

If you require assistance to vote on Election Day, several options are available to you. These include getting assistance from a person of your choice, using voter assistance terminals, and absentee voting. Please visit the Voting Accessibility page of VoteIdaho.gov or contact your county clerk’s office for detailed information about accessible voting options.

**ABSENTEE VOTING**

You may vote by absentee ballot if you are registered by the pre-registration deadline. You must request an absentee ballot online at VoteIdaho.gov or from your county clerk’s office at least 11 days prior to Election Day. Additional information and absentee ballot request forms can be found on the Absentee Voting Information page of VoteIdaho.gov or from your county clerk’s office.

**EARLY VOTING / IN-PERSON ABSENTEE VOTING**

Counties must offer either early voting or in-person absentee voting, both of which conclude on the Friday before Election Day. Early voting allows you to vote in person at an early voting location just as you would on Election Day. In-person absentee voting allows you to complete an absentee ballot at the county clerk’s office. Please contact your county clerk’s office for locations, dates, and hours of operation.
The Secretary of State and the Idaho Commission for Libraries have partnered to provide this voter information in a format accessible to the visually impaired. An audio version of this pamphlet is available from the Talking Books Service (TBS) for TBS users or on our website at VoteIdaho.gov.

VOTER REGISTRATION FORM
If you are unable to access VoteIdaho.gov to register to vote or update your voter registration, please use the voter registration form below instead. When completed, cut it on the dotted line and mail the form to your County Clerk’s office. County Clerk contact information is located on the back cover of this voter pamphlet. THIS FORM IS NOT AN ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST.

NOTE: This form is ONLY if you need to update your voter information (you’ve moved, changed your name, etc.) or register as a NEW voter in Idaho. This form must be postmarked by October 14.

Idaho Voter Registration Form

1. Last Name (Print clearly in black ink.)
   First Name
   Middle Name

WARNING: Any elector who supplies any information knowing it to be false is guilty of perjury which is punishable by imprisonment and a fine of up to $50,000.

3. Are you a citizen of the United States of America?
   Will you be at least 18 years of age on election day?
   Yes ☐ No ☐
   If you checked ‘No’ for either question, do not complete this form.

5. Residence Address (Do not use PO Box or business address. If no street address, describe location of residence by cross streets, section, township, range, or other physical description.)

7. Political Party (Select one):
   ☐ Constitution ☐ Democratic
   ☐ Libertarian ☐ Republican
   ☐ Unaffiliated - (No party preference)

8. Check box if name change
   Previous Name
   City
   County
   State

9. Do you have any legal disqualifications?
   Yes ☐ No ☐
   Idaho felon’s rights are automatically restored upon completion of all sentencing conditions including probation or parole.

10. Signature - Sign on line below.
    X
    Date of Signature        /    / 
    Clerk                   Date

UNDER PENALTY OF LAW: By signing this card, I certify that I am a citizen of the United States and that I shall have been a resident of Idaho and the county for 30 days before the next election at which I vote; that I am at least 18 years of age on election day; and I declare under oath or affirmation that the information supplied herein is true.
COUNTY CLERK OFFICES

Ada 400 N Benjamin Lane, Ste 100, Boise, ID 83704 • (208) 287-6860
Adams PO Box 48, Council, ID 83612-0048 • (208) 253-4561
Bannock PO Box 4489, Pocatello, ID 83205 • (208) 236-7333
Bear Lake PO Box 190, Paris, ID 83261-0190 • (208) 945-2212
Benewah 701 W College Ave, Ste 101, St Maries, ID 83861 • (208) 245-3212
Bingham 501 N Maple St, #205, Blackfoot, ID 83221 • (208) 782-3164
Blaine 206 1st Ave S, Ste 100, Hailey, ID 83333 • (208) 788-5510
Boise PO Box 1300, Idaho City, ID 83631-1300 • (208) 392-4431
Bonner 1500 Hwy 2, Ste 124, Sandpoint, ID 83864 • (208) 255-3631
Bonneville 605 N Capital Ave, Idaho Falls, ID 83402 • (208) 529-1363
Boundary PO Box 419, Bonners Ferry, ID 83805-0419 • (208) 267-2242
Butte PO Box 737, Arco, ID 83213-0737 • (208) 527-3021
Camas PO Box 430, Fairfield, ID 83333-0430 • (208) 764-2242
Canyon 1102 East Chicago Street, Caldwell, ID 83605 • (208) 454-7337
Caribou PO Box 775, Soda Springs, ID 83276-0775 • (208) 547-4324
Cassia 1459 Overland Ave, Rm 105, Burley, ID 83318 • (208) 878-5240
Clark PO Box 205, Dubois, ID 83423-0205 • (208) 374-5304
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Franklin 39 W Oneida, Preston, ID 83263 • (208) 852-1090
Fremont 151 W 1st N #12, St Anthony, ID 83445 • (208) 624-7332
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Gooding PO Box 417, Gooding, ID 83330-0417 • (208) 934-4841
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Jefferson 210 Courthouse Way, Ste 100, Rigby, ID 83442 • (208) 745-7756
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Latah PO Box 8068, Moscow, ID 83843-0568 • (208) 883-2249
Lemhi 206 Courthouse Drive, Salmon, ID 83467 • (208) 742-1667
Lewis 510 Oak Street, Rm 1, Nezperce, ID 83543 • (208) 937-2661
Lincoln 111 West B Street, Ste C, Shoshone, ID 83352 • (208) 886-7641
Madison PO Box 389, Rexburg, ID 83440-0389 • (208) 359-6244
Minidoka PO Box 368, Rupert, ID 83350-0368 • (208) 436-9511
Nez Perce PO Box 896, Lewiston, ID 83501-0896 • (208) 799-3020
Oneida 10 Court Street, Malad, ID 83252 • (208) 766-4116
Owyhee PO Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650-0128 • (208) 495-2421
Payette 1130 3rd Ave N, Rm 104, Payette, ID 83661 • (208) 642-6000
Power 543 Bannock Ave, American Falls, ID 83211 • (208) 226-7611
Shoshone 700 Bank St #120, Wallace, ID 83873 • (208) 752-1264
Teton 150 Courthouse Drive #208, Driggs, ID 83422 • (208) 354-8780
Twin Falls PO Box 126, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0126 • (208) 736-4004
Valley PO Box 1350, Cascade, ID 83611-1350 • (208) 382-7100
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