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Petition For An Initiated Law Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado that ballots be changed to answering the question "Should This Candidate, (insert candidate's name), Hold This Elected Office?" Yes or No.

Proposed Name: Yes/No Initiative
Simple Description: This change to Title 1 Elections allows every voter to vote "yes" or "no" for every candidate seeking an elected office. A yes vote counts as +1 , a no vote counts as -1 . The numerical values are summed for each candidate for a net vote count. The winner of the office is the candidate with the greatest summed numerical value.

There is a compelling state interest in encouraging increased voter participation and the yes/no initiative promotes this interest by allowing the Colorado electorate to more fully participate in the multi-party diverse Colorado political spectrum.

Example ballot is on next page, followed by proposed wording for the law:

| FEDERAL OFFICES OFICINAS FEDERALES |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS <br> ELECTORES PRESIDENCIALES |  |  |
| American Constitution Constitucion Americana | Should these candidates, Virgil H. Goode Jr. Jim Clymer, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Democratic Democrata | Should these candidates, Barack Obama Joe Biden, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Republican Republicano | Should these candidates, Mitt Romney Paul Ryan, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Libertarian Libertario | Should these candidates, Gary Johnson James P. Gray, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Green Verde | Should these candidates, <br> Jill Stein <br> Cheri Honkala, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Socialist, USA Socialista, USA | Should these candidates, Stewart Alexander Alex Mendoza, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Justice <br> Magistrado | Should these candidates, Ross C. "Rocky" Anderson Luis J. Rodriguez, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Peace and Freedom Paz y Libertad | Should these candidates, <br> Roseanne Barr Cindy Lee Sheehan, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Socialist Workers <br> Trabajadores Socialistas | Should these candidates, James Harris Alyson Kennedy, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| America's De America | Should these candidates, Tom Hoefling Jonathan D. Ellis, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Socialism and Liberation Socialismo y Liberacion | Should these candidates, <br> Gloria La Riva Filberto Ramirez Jr., hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| American Third Position Tercera Posicion Americana | Should these candidates, Merlin Miller Harry V. Bertram, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Unaffiliated Sin Afiliacion | Should these candidates, <br> Jill Reed <br> Tom Cary, <br> hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \mathrm{Yes} \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \mathrm{No} \\ & \mathrm{No} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Objectivist <br> Objectivista | Should these candidates, Thomas Robert Stevens Alden Link, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \text { Si } \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| We the People Nosotros el Pueblo | Should these candidates, Sheila "Samm" Tittle Mathew A. Turner, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Socialist Equality Igualdad Socialistas | Should these candidates, Jerry White Phyllis Scherrer, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |

STATE OFFICES
OFICINAS ESTATALES
STATE SENATE - DISTRICT 33
SENADO ESTATAL - DISTRITO 33

| (Vote Yes or No/Vote Si o No) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Democratic <br> Democrata | Should this candidate, Mike Johnston, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |
| Republican Republicano | Should this candidate, Jason DeBerry, hold this elected office? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \\ & \mathrm{Si} \\ & \hline \text { No } \\ & \text { No } \end{aligned}$ |
| Libertarian Libertario | Should this candidate, Courtney Kolva, hold this elected office? | Yes <br> Si <br> No <br> No |

DISTRICT ATTORNEY-
$2^{\text {ND }}$ JUDICIAL DISTRICT
FISCAL DE DISTRITO 2do DISTRITO JUDICIAL

| (Vote Yes or No/Vote Si o No) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  | Should this candidate, | Yes |  |
|  | "Mitch" Morrissey, | Si |  |
|  | No |  |  |
|  | hold this elected office? | No |  |

DISTRICT A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
DIRECTOR REGIONAL DE DISTRITO DE
TRANSPORTE DEL DISTRITO A

| (Vote Yes or No/Vote Si o No) |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: |
| Should this candidate, <br> Bill James, | Si |  |
| hold this elected office? | No |  |
| ho |  |  |

## Yes or No Initiative

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, $1-5-403$, amend (2) and (3) as follows:
(2) For all elections except those for presidential electors, every ballot YOU MAY FOR
EVERY CANDIDATE LISTED shall contain the names of (INSERT NAME OF CANDIDATE HERE)
" " all candidates for offices to be voted for at that election whose nominations have been made and accepted, except those who have died or withdrawn, and the ballot shall contain no other names. When presidential electors are to be elected, their names shall not be printed on the ballot, but the names of the candidates of the respective political parties or political organizations for president and vice president of the United States shall be printed together in pairs under the title "presidential electors"
Yol may vote for every pair of candidates listed. The

> (INSERT NAMES OF CANDIDATES)
pairs shall be arranged in the alphabetical order of the names of the candidates for president in the manner provided for in section 1-5-404. A vote " " for any pair of candidates is a vote for the duly nominated presidential electors of the political party or political organization by which the pair of candidates were named.
(3) The names of joint candidates of a political party or political organization for the offices of governor and lieutenant governor shall be printed in pairs You may vote for every pair of candidates listed . (INSERT NAMES OF CANDIDATES) The pairs shall be arranged in the alphabetical order of the names of candidates for governor in the manner provided for in section 1-5-404. A vote " " for any pair of candidates for governor and lieutenant governor is a vote for each of the candidates who compose that pair.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 1-7-601, amend (1) as follows:
(1) As soon as all the votes have been read and counted, either at the precincts or at the electronic balloting counting centers, the election judges shall make a certificate for each precinct, stating the name of each candidate, the office for which that candidate received votes, and stating the number of votes each candidate received. The number shall be expressed in numerical figures. The entry shall be made, as nearly as circumstances will permit, in the following form:

At an election held in precinct ......, in the county of $\qquad$ and state of Colorado, on the ......day of ................in the year ....... the following named candidates received the number of votes annexed to their respective names for the following described offices: Total number of ballots or votes cast was .... A.B. and E.F. had 72 votes for governor and
lieutenant governor; C.D. and G.H. had 69 votes for governor and lieutenant governor; J.K. had 68 votes for representative in congress; L.M. had
70 votes for representative in
congress; N.O. had 72 votes for
state representative; P.Q. had 71 votes for state representative; R.S. had 84 votes for sheriff; T.W. had 60 votes for sheriff; (and the same manner for any other persons voted for).

Certified by us:
A.B.)
C.D.)
E.F. ) Election Judges

SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 1-7-604 as follows:
(1) THE NET VOTE COUNT IS DETERMINED BY COUNTING THE NUMBER OF YES VOTES FOR A CANDIDATE OR PAIR OF CANDIDATES AND MULTIPLYING THAT YES COUNT BY THE NUMBER 1, COUNTING THE NUMBER OF NO VOTES FOR A CANDIDATE OR PAIR OF CANDIDATES AND MULTIPLYING THE NO COUNT BY THE NUMBER -1, THEN adding these 2 Numbers together. The winning candidate or pair of candidates for an elected OFFICE SHALL HAVE THE NUMERICALLY GREATEST NET VOTE COUNT.

