



**JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS  
4TH DISTRICT  
PARTIAL TERM ENDING 1/1/2009 -  
INCUMBENT**  
Vote For Not More Than One

**Alton T. Davis**  
Judge of Court of Appeals

**JUDGE OF THE  
PROBATE COURT  
6 YEAR TERM - INCUMBENT**  
Vote For Not More Than One

**Jack T. Arnold**  
Judge of Probate Court

**STATE PROPOSAL(S)**

**PROPOSAL 06-1  
A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL  
AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE THAT  
MONEY HELD IN CONSERVATION  
AND RECREATION FUNDS CAN  
ONLY BE USED FOR THEIR  
INTENDED PURPOSES**

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Create a Conservation and Recreation Legacy Fund within the Constitution and establish existing conservation and recreation accounts as components of the fund.
- Use current funding sources such as state park entrance and camping fees; snowmobile, ORV and boating registration fees; hunting and fishing license fees; taxes and other revenues to fund accounts.
- Establish the current Game and Fish Protection Fund and the Nongame Fish and Wildlife Fund within the Constitution.
- Provide that money held in Funds can only be used for specific purposes related to conservation and recreation and cannot be used for any purpose other than those intended.

Should this proposal be adopted?  
**YES** ←    
**NO** ←

**PROPOSAL 06-2  
A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE  
STATE CONSTITUTION TO BAN  
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS  
THAT GIVE PREFERENTIAL  
TREATMENT TO GROUPS OR  
INDIVIDUALS BASED ON THEIR  
RACE, GENDER, COLOR,  
ETHNICITY OR NATIONAL ORIGIN  
FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT,  
EDUCATION OR CONTRACTING  
PURPOSES**

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Ban public institutions from using affirmative action programs that give preferential treatment to groups or individuals based on their race, gender, color, ethnicity or national origin for public employment, education or contracting purposes. Public institutions affected by the proposal include state government, local governments, public colleges and universities, community colleges and school districts.
- Prohibit public institutions from discriminating against groups or individuals due to their gender, ethnicity, race, color or national origin. (A separate provision of the state constitution already prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin.)

Should this proposal be adopted?  
**YES** ←    
**NO** ←

**PROPOSAL 06-3  
A REFERENDUM ON PUBLIC ACT  
160 OF 2004 - AN ACT TO ALLOW  
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
HUNTING SEASON FOR  
MOURNING DOVES**

Public Act 160 of 2004 would:

- Authorize the Natural Resources Commission to establish a hunting season for mourning doves.
- Require a mourning dove hunter to have a small game license and a \$2.00 mourning dove stamp.
- Stipulate that revenue from the stamp must be split evenly between the Game and Fish Protection Fund and the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund.
- Require the Department of Natural Resources to address responsible mourning dove hunting; management practices for the propagation of mourning doves; and participation in mourning dove hunting by youth, the elderly and the disabled in the Department's annual hunting guide.

Should this law be approved?  
**YES** ←    
**NO** ←

**PROPOSAL 06-4  
A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL  
AMENDMENT TO PROHIBIT  
GOVERNMENT FROM TAKING  
PRIVATE PROPERTY BY EMINENT  
DOMAIN FOR CERTAIN PRIVATE  
PURPOSES**

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Prohibit government from taking private property for transfer to another private individual or business for purposes of economic development or increasing tax revenue.
- Provide that if an individual's principal residence is taken by government for public use, the individual must be paid at least 125% of property's fair market value.
- Require government that takes a private property to demonstrate that the taking is for a public use and taken to eliminate blight or a higher standard of proof to demonstrate that the taking of property is for a public use.
- Preserve the rights of property owners.

Should this proposal be adopted?  
**YES** ←    
**NO** ←

**PROPOSAL 06-5  
A LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE TO  
ESTABLISH MANDATORY SCHOOL  
FUNDING LEVELS**

The proposed law would:

- Increase current funding by approximately \$565 million and require State to provide annual funding increases equal to the rate of inflation for public schools, intermediate school districts, community colleges, and higher education (includes state universities and financial aid/grant programs).
- Require State to fund any deficiencies from General Fund.
- Base funding for school districts with a declining enrollment on three-year student enrollment average.
- Reduce and cap retirement fund contribution paid by public schools, community colleges and state universities; shift remaining portion to state.
- Reduce funding gap between school districts receiving basic per-pupil foundation allowance and those receiving maximum foundation allowance.

Should this proposed law be approved?  
**YES** ←    
**NO** ←

**COUNTY PROPOSAL**

**GRATIOT COUNTY EMERGENCY  
RESPONSE DEPUTIES MILLAGE  
PROPOSAL**

Shall the limitation upon the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and personal tangible property for all purposes in any one year under the Michigan Constitution be increased in the County of Gratiot - Michigan by 0.45000 mills (which is equal to \$.45 per \$1,000 of taxable value of all such property) for a period of six (6) years, 2006 through 2011, inclusive, for the purpose of paying partial costs of current staffing levels of police protection services to be provided through the County Sheriff's Office, including the costs of 24-hour road patrol and Sheriff's Office staffing and equipment? The amount of revenue the County will collect if this millage is approved and levied by the County in the first year is estimated to be \$363,941. This proposal is for a new additional millage the revenue from which would be disbursed to the County of Gratiot.

**YES** ←    
**NO** ←

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**VOTE BOTH FRONT AND BACK OF BALLOT**

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