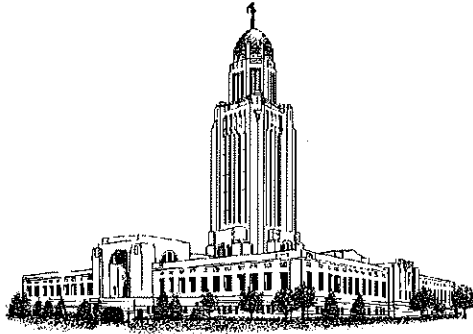


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Dear Secretary of State Evnen:

Enclosed is the ballot statement language for LR 1CA and LR 14CA, as approved by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council on October 4, 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Hilgers".

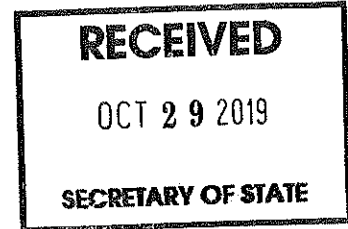
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Enclosures

LR 1CA

A vote FOR this constitutional amendment would eliminate a provision in the Nebraska Constitution that states that slavery or involuntary servitude may be used as a punishment for conviction of a crime.

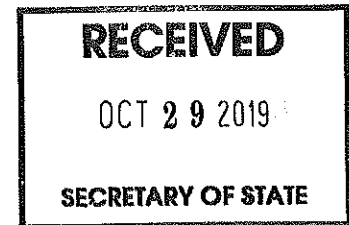
A vote AGAINST this constitutional amendment would leave the language regarding slavery or involuntary servitude unchanged in the Nebraska Constitution.



LR 14CA

A vote FOR this constitutional amendment would amend the Nebraska Constitution to authorize the Legislature to extend the maximum length of time for the repayment of indebtedness related to tax-increment financing from 15 years to 20 years if more than one-half of the property in the project area is designated as extremely blighted.

A vote AGAINST this constitutional amendment would leave the maximum length of time for repayment of indebtedness unchanged at 15 years.



LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 1CA

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Passed by the Legislature March 7, 2019

Introduced by Wayne, 13; Lowe, 37; Slama, 1; Pansing Brooks, 28; Blood, 3;
Hansen, M., 26; Crawford, 45; Williams, 36; Howard, 9;
McCollister, 20; Dorn, 30; Walz, 15; La Grone, 49; Chambers, 11;
Bostelman, 23; Geist, 25.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2020, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article I, section 2:

I-2 There shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in this state, ~~otherwise than for punishment of crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted.~~

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to eliminate slavery or involuntary servitude as a punishment for crime.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 14CA

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Passed by the Legislature April 18, 2019

Introduced by Wayne, 13.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2020, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article VIII, section 12:

VIII-12 For the purpose of rehabilitating, acquiring, or redeveloping substandard and blighted property in a redevelopment project as determined by law, any city or village of the state may, notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution, and without regard to charter limitations and restrictions, incur indebtedness, whether by bond, loans, notes, advance of money, or otherwise. Notwithstanding any other provision in the Constitution or a local charter, such cities or villages may also pledge for and apply to the payment of the principal, interest, and any premium on such indebtedness all taxes levied by all taxing bodies, ~~which taxes shall be at such rate for a period not to exceed fifteen years,~~ on the assessed valuation of the property in the project area portion of a designated blighted and substandard area that is in excess of the assessed valuation of such property for the year prior to such rehabilitation, acquisition, or redevelopment. Cities and villages may pledge such taxes for a period not to exceed fifteen years, except that the Legislature may allow cities and villages to pledge such taxes for a period not to exceed twenty years if, due to a high rate of unemployment combined with a high poverty rate as determined by law, more than one-half of the property in the project area is designated as extremely blighted.

When such indebtedness and the interest thereon have been paid in full, such property thereafter shall be taxed as is other property in the respective taxing jurisdictions and such taxes applied as all other taxes of the respective taxing bodies.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to allow cities and villages to pledge property taxes as part of a redevelopment project for a period not to exceed twenty years if, due to a high rate of unemployment combined with a high poverty rate as determined by law, more than one-half of the property in the project area is extremely blighted.

For

Against.