

It is a class A misdemeanor punishable, notwithstanding the provisions of section 560.021, RSMo, to the contrary, for a term of imprisonment not to exceed one year in the county jail or a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars or both, for anyone to sign any initiative petition with any name other than his or her own, or knowingly to sign his or her name more than once for the same measure for the same election, or to sign a petition when such person knows he or she is not a registered voter.

County: _____

INITIATIVE PETITION

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To the Honorable Denny Hoskins, Secretary of State for the state of Missouri: _____ County (or City of St. Louis), respectfully order that the following proposed amendment to the constitution shall be submitted to the voters of the state of Missouri, for their approval or rejection, at the general election to be held on the 3rd day of November, 2026, and each for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a registered voter of the state of Missouri and _____ County (or City of St. Louis); my registered voting address and the name of the city, town or village in which I live are correctly written after my name.

[OFFICIAL BALLOT TITLE]

CIRCULATOR'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF _____, I, _____, being first duly sworn, say (print names of signers)

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.	NAME (Signature)	DATE Signed	REGISTERED VOTING ADDRESS (Number)(Street), (City, Town Or Village)	ZIP CODE	CONG. DIST.	NAME (Printed or Typed)

signed this page of the foregoing petition, and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence: I believe that each has stated his or her name, registered voting address and city, town or village correctly, and that each signer is a registered voter of the state of Missouri and _____ County (or city of St. Louis). FURTHERMORE, I HEREBY SWEAR OR AFFIRM UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT ALL STATEMENTS MADE BY ME ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF, FOUND GUILTY OF, OR PLED GUILTY TO ANY OFFENSE INVOLVING FORGERY. I am at least 18 years of age. I do _____ do not _____ (check one) expect to be paid for circulating this petition. If paid, list the payer: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, A.D.

Signature of Affiant (Person obtaining signatures) _____ Street Address of Affiant _____

Printed Name of Affiant _____ City, State and Zip Code of Affiant _____

Signature of Notary _____ Address of Notary _____ (Seal)

NOTICE: The proposed amendment revises Article VIII of the Constitution by amending Section 3 and adopting one new Section to be known as Article VIII, Section 25. You are advised that the proposed constitutional amendment may be interpreted to change, repeal, or modify by implication or may be construed by some persons to change, repeal, or modify by implication certain sections of the Missouri Revised Statutes, including, but not limited to: 115.013, 115.225, 115.243, 115.277, 115.317, 115.321, 115.327, 115.399, 115.453, 115.625, 115.629, 115.631, 115.633, 115.635, and 115.637.

Be it resolved by the people of the state of Missouri that the Constitution be amended:

Section A. Article VIII of the Constitution is revised by amending Section 3 and adopting one new Section to be known as Article VIII, Section 25 to read as follows:

Section 3. 1. All elections by the people shall be by paper ballot or by any mechanical method prescribed by law.

2. Voters shall have only a single vote for each issue on which such voter is eligible to vote. Voters shall have the same number of votes for an office as the number of open seats to be elected to such office at that election. Under no circumstance shall a voter be permitted to cast a ballot in a manner that results in the ranking of candidates for a particular office. Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection to the contrary, this subsection shall not apply to any nonpartisan municipal election held in a city that had an ordinance in effect as of November 5, 2024, that permits voters to cast more than a single vote for each issue or candidate on which such voter is eligible to vote.

3. All election officers shall be sworn or affirmed not to disclose how any voter voted; provided, that in cases of contested elections, grand jury investigations and in the trial of all civil or criminal cases in which the violation of any law relating to elections, including nominating elections, is under investigation or at issue, such officers may be required to testify and the ballots cast may be opened, examined, counted, and received as evidence.

4. Voters shall only be entitled to cast one ballot in each election.

Section 25. 1. The right to vote is a fundamental right and each person's vote is entitled to equal dignity and should, to the fullest extent possible, count equally.

2. The will of the Missouri electorate is best reflected by the popular proportional allocation of electoral college representatives, based on the number of ballots cast for each presidential ticket on the general election ballot in this state. Missouri's electoral votes shall be allocated for president and vice president in a manner directly proportional to the popular vote each candidate receives in the state of Missouri.

3. The voters of Missouri declare that by approving this amendment, they understand, desire, and expect that the popular proportional selection of presidential electors and allocation of electoral votes shall apply to each and every presidential and vice-presidential election in this state beginning with the 2028 general election.

4. Electors shall be nominated and elected in the manner prescribed by law.

5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the total number of electoral votes to which Missouri is entitled shall be divided among the presidential tickets on the general election ballot based upon the proportional share of the total statewide popular votes cast for each presidential ticket, subject to the provisions set forth in this section. Each presidential elector shall vote for the presidential candidate, and, by separate ballot, vice-presidential candidate on the presidential ticket of the political party or political organization that nominated that presidential elector.

6. The allocation of electoral votes shall be in whole numbers, pursuant to the following instructions:

a. The total number of ballots cast in this state for each presidential ticket at a general election shall be divided by the total number of ballots cast for all presidential tickets that receive votes at that general election; and

b. The proportion of a presidential ticket's popular vote, as determined by paragraph (a) of this subsection, shall be multiplied by the number of electoral votes to which Missouri is entitled.

7. The number of electoral votes attributable to the ballots cast for any presidential ticket, as determined in subsection 6 of this section, shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number, subject to the following limitations:

a. No presidential ticket shall be entitled to receive any electoral votes from this state if the presidential ticket's proportion of the total ballots cast for all presidential tickets would reflect less than a full electoral vote after rounding down to the nearest whole number.

b. If the sum of all electoral votes allocated would be less than the number of electoral votes to which Missouri is entitled, then the presidential ticket for which the greatest number of total ballots have been cast shall receive any unallocated electoral votes until all of the electoral votes to which Missouri is entitled have been allocated.

c. If two or more presidential tickets receive the identical total number of ballots cast for all presidential tickets and the allocation of Missouri's electoral votes cannot be proportionally allocated in whole electoral votes, the secretary of state shall issue a proclamation stating the fact of the tie vote. Thereafter, the general assembly shall immediately convene to choose one of such presidential tickets to receive any unallocated electoral votes by adopting a resolution approved by a majority of the members elected to each house. The president pro tempore of the senate and speaker of the house shall sign and deliver the approved resolution to the secretary of state declaring which presidential ticket shall receive any unallocated electoral votes.

8. For purposes of this section:

a. "Presidential ticket" means candidates for president and vice president of the United States who run for their respective offices jointly in Missouri.

b. "Rounded down to the nearest whole number" means decreased to the preceding whole number.

c. "Whole number" means a positive integer, including zero.

9. To the extent any other provision of law conflicts with the provisions set forth herein, this section shall control. Any doubt about the allocation of Missouri's electoral votes shall be resolved in favor of ensuring that such votes are allocated based on the popular proportional share of the total statewide ballots cast for each presidential ticket.

10. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the general assembly may enact laws consistent with this section. The general assembly is expressly prohibited from enacting laws that undermine or are otherwise inconsistent with the provisions of this section.

11. All provisions of this section are severable. If any provision of this section is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or unconstitutionally enacted, the remaining provisions of this section shall be and remain valid.