

STATE QUESTIONS

1. AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE (CHANGING THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE STATE)
(Section 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution)

Approval of the amendment to the Title, Preamble and Section 3 of Article III of the Rhode Island Constitution set forth below will have the effect of changing the official name of the State from "State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" to "State of Rhode Island":

Question 1 **APPROVE** ←

Question 1 **REJECT** ←

Full text of amendment for Question 1

The Title of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

The Preamble of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

We, the people of this State which state shall henceforth be known as the state of Rhode Island, grateful to Almighty God for the civil and religious liberty which He hath so long permitted us to enjoy, and looking to Him for a blessing upon our endeavors to secure and to transmit the same, unimpaired, to succeeding generations, do ordain and establish this Constitution of government.

Section 3 of Article III of the Constitution shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. Oath of general officers.
- All general officers shall take the following engagement before they act in their respective offices, to wit: You being by the free vote of the electors of this state of Rhode Island, elected unto the place of do solemnly swear (or, affirm) to be true and faithful unto this state, and to support the Constitution of this state and of the United States; that you will faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties of your aforesaid office to the best of your abilities, according to law: So help you God. [Or: This affirmation you make and give upon the peril of the penalty of perjury.]

2. HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES BONDS \$78,000,000
(Chapter 23 - Public Laws 2010)

Approval of this question will allow the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed sixty-one million dollars (\$61,000,000) for the construction of a new chemistry building at the University of Rhode Island, and seventeen million dollars (\$17,000,000) for the renovation and construction of an addition to the Art Center at Rhode Island College.

Question 2 **APPROVE** ←

Question 2 **REJECT** ←

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3. TRANSPORTATION BONDS \$84,700,000
(Chapter 23 - Public Laws 2010)

Approval of this question will authorize the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed eighty million dollars (\$80,000,000) to match federal funds and provide direct funding for improvements to the state's highways, roads and bridges and four million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$4,700,000) to purchase and/or rehabilitate buses for the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority's bus fleet.

Question 3 **APPROVE** ←

Question 3 **REJECT** ←

4. OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION BONDS \$14,700,000
(Chapter 23 - Public Laws 2010)

Approval of this question will authorize the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the purpose of acquiring title to all or a portion of land in and around the former Rocky Point Park for the purpose of establishing the same as a public park, and three million two hundred thousand dollars (\$3,200,000) for the purpose of transferring title to 25 India Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903 from the department of transportation to the department of environmental management, with the funds to be used to reimburse the US federal highway administration for the market value of the property preserving the same as open space and for recreation, and to further issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of improvements and renovations to Fort Adams State Park in the city of Newport dedicated to the preservation and public accessibility of the Fort.

Question 4 **APPROVE** ←

Question 4 **REJECT** ←

