PAR GUIDE TO THE 2022 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS NOV. 8 BALLOT





AMENDMENT 1

LARGER STOCK INVESTMENTS FOR TRUST FUNDS Let the state increase to 65% the maximum amount of money in seven different trust funds that can be invested in equities on the stock market.

Keep tighter limits in place on the percentage of the trust funds' money that can be invested in the stock market, with some unable to be invested in equities at all.

AMENDMENT 2

PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTIONS FOR
VETERANS WITH DISABILITIES

Increase the property tax exemption available to veterans with service-related disabilities and to their surviving spouses after the veteran's death.

Maintain the current level of property tax exemption available to veterans with service-related disabilities and to their surviving spouses.

AMENDMENT 3

POLITICAL ACTIVITY FOR CIVIL SERVICE WORKERS WHEN FAMILY MEMBERS RUN FOR OFFICE

Allow most of Louisiana's civil service employees to support certain campaign activities of a candidate for public office when that candidate is an immediate family member.

Continue the current prohibition on Louisiana's civil service employees participating in campaign activities or supporting candidates for public office.

AMENDMENT 4

WAIVING CHARGES FOR WATER USE IF INFRASTRUCTURE DAMAGED

Let local water districts, municipalities or other political subdivisions reduce customer bills for water use if the charges stem from water lost due to damage outside a customer's control.

Keep local water districts, municipalities and other political subdivisions from lowering bills or waiving customer charges for water use in almost all circumstances.

AMENDMENT 5

LOCAL AUTHORITY OVER PROPERTY TAX RATES

Give local taxing bodies more time to decide if they want to "roll forward" millages that increase property taxes paid by businesses and homeowners.

Keep the rules governing millage "roll forwards" the same, giving local taxing bodies until the next property reappraisals to make the decision.

AMENDMENT 6

PROPERTY TAX
ASSESSMENT INCREASES
IN ORLEANS PARISH

Limit increases in the property tax liability of homes subject to homestead exemption in Orleans Parish, capping the reassessment increase to 10% of the residential property's assessed value in the previous year.

Continue the current system, which requires a four-year phase-in of tax liability for homes subject to the homestead exemption when a reappraisal increases assessments by more than 50%.

AMENDMENT 7

LIMITS ON INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE Rework the state constitutional ban on slavery and involuntary servitude, allowing their use only for the "lawful administration of criminal justice." Keep the state's current constitutional language banning slavery and involuntary servitude, but allowing involuntary servitude as a "punishment for crime."

AMENDMENT 8

PROPERTY TAX
ASSESSMENTS FOR CERTAIN
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Remove the requirement that certain property owners with disabilities annually certify their income to receive a property tax rate freeze.

Continue the annual income certification required for certain property owners with disabilities to receive a property tax rate freeze.



