

# **LOCAL PROPOSALS**

## **CEMETERY MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

Shall the City of Bangor renew a levy of 0.5 mills (\$0.50 per \$1,000 on taxable value of real property only) located in the City of Bangor continuing in 2022 and continuing through 2027 inclusive; which will raise in the first year estimated revenues of \$19,000 to be used for the specific purpose of maintaining and improving roads, structures and signage located in Arlington Hill Cemetery?

A portion of the revenue collected may be required to be distributed to the Downtown Development Authorities, Tax Increment Financing Authorities, Local Development Financing Authorities and Brownfield Redevelopment Authorities established in the City.

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## **SENIOR SERVICES MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

Shall the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes and Public Act 39 of 1976, within the Township of Bangor be increased to 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the 8 year period of 2022 through 2029 inclusive (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029) for the purpose of providing funds to be paid to Senior Services of Van Buren County, Inc. for providing activities and general senior services pursuant to Public Act 39 of 1976 for individuals 60 years of age or older; and shall the Township be authorized to levy a millage for said purpose, thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$68,656.08.

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## **VILLAGE OF BREEDSVILLE DISINCORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE**

Shall incorporation of the Village of Breedsville be vacated?

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## **RENEWAL OF OPERATING MILLAGE AT ORIGINAL VOTED MILLS**

Shall the previously allocated township millage rate of 1 mills (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value), reduced to 0.7308 mills (\$0.7308 per \$1,000 of taxable value) by the required Headlee millage rollbacks, be restored to 1 mills by an increase of 0.2692 mills (\$0.2692 per \$1,000 of taxable value) to recover \$28,404 in reduced revenues in the first year of the millage and be levied by Columbia Township for five (5) years, 2022 through 2026 inclusive, for general township operating purposes, raising an estimated \$104,516.07 in the first year the millage is levied?

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## **PARKS AND RECREATION MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

Shall the Township of Lawrence impose 0.50 mills (0.50per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the township tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for Four (4) years, (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025) for the purpose of parks, trails, recreation improvements and development which 0.50 mills increase will raise an estimated \$68,055.21 in the first year the millage is levied?

**PROPOSAL TO ALLOW MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES IN SOUTH HAVEN TOWNSHIP**

A proposed initiated ordinance in the Charter Township of South Haven to repeal the township’s prohibition of marihuana establishments and to allow and regulate the operation of marihuana establishments within the township in accordance with the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, MCL 333.27951 et seq. The ordinance would, among other things:

- authorize a minimum of three adult-use marihuana retail establishments in the township.
- allow the township board to set a maximum number of adult-use marihuana retail establishments after the minimum of three retailers are licensed and operating.
- prohibit marihuana establishment types other than retailers unless the township board allows other types by subsequent ordinance.
- authorize the township board to enact related police power and zoning regulations, except those that are unreasonably impracticable or that conflict with the initiated ordinance or the state’s laws and regulations related to adult-use marihuana establishments; and
- repeal any township ordinances that conflict with this ordinance to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.



**PROPOSAL FOR SERVICES FOR OLDER PERSONS**

This proposal is a request to renew the extra-voted millage for services to individuals who are age sixty (60) and older.

Shall the tax limitation imposed under Article IX Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution, on ad valorem taxes within the Township of Waverly, Van Buren County, Michigan, be increased by .50 (one half) mill (\$.50 per \$1,000.00) of taxable value on all real and personal property in Waverly Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, for the two-year period of 2022-2023 inclusive for the purposes of appropriating funds for activities and/or services for older persons, meaning individuals the age sixty (60) and over, pursuant to Public Act 39, 1976. The Township of Waverly would collect the money and contract to provide services. It is anticipated that the revenue collected by Waverly Township as a result of this proposal will be approximately \$37,753.32 in the first calendar year of the levy.



**BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 16  
OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Bloomingdale Public School District No. 16, Van Buren and Allegan Counties, Michigan, be increased by 2 mills (\$2.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2022, 2023, and 2024, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 0.7876 mill of the 2 mills is levied in 2022 is approximately \$71,202 (this millage is to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the “Headlee” amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore that reduction)?

**LAWTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Lawton Community Schools, Van Buren and Kalamazoo Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 17.7073 mills (\$17.7073 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2024, 2025 and 2026, and also be increased by .5 mill (\$0.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 4 years, 2023 to 2026, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and if .2927 mill of the above is levied in 2023 is approximately \$22,004, and if 18 mills of the above are levied in 2024 is approximately \$1,340,000 (this millage is to renew millage that will expire with the 2023 levy and to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the “Headlee” amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore that reduction)?



**WATERVLIET PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL**

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The remaining 0.9426 mill is only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the “Headlee” amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Watervliet Public Schools, Berrien and Van Buren Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 18.9426 mills (\$18.9426 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2024 to 2033, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2024 is approximately \$2,255,956 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2023 tax levy)?

# STATE PROPOSALS

## Proposal 22-1

**A proposal to amend the state constitution to require annual public financial disclosure reports by legislators and other state officers and change state legislator term limit to 12 total years in legislature**

This proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Require members of legislature, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, and attorney general file annual public financial disclosure reports after 2023, including assets, liabilities, income sources, future employment agreements, gifts, travel reimbursements, and positions held in organizations except religious, social, and political organizations.
- Require legislature implement but not limit or restrict reporting requirements.
- Replace current term limits for state representatives and state senators with a 12-year total limit in any combination between house and senate, except a person elected to senate in 2022 may be elected the number of times allowed when that person became a candidate.

Should this proposal be adopted?

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## Proposal 22-2

**A proposal to amend the state constitution to add provisions regarding elections**

This proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Recognize fundamental right to vote without harassing conduct;
- Require military or overseas ballots be counted if postmarked by election day;
- Provide voter right to verify identity with photo ID or signed statement;
- Provide voter right to single application to vote absentee in all elections;
- Require state-funded absentee-ballot drop boxes, and postage for absentee applications and ballots;
- Provide that only election officials may conduct post-election audits;
- Require nine days of early in-person voting;
- Allow donations to fund elections, which must be disclosed;
- Require canvass boards certify election results based only on the official records of votes cast.

Should this proposal be adopted?

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## Proposal 22-3

**A proposal to amend the state constitution to establish new individual right to reproductive freedom, including right to make all decisions about pregnancy and abortion; allow state to regulate abortion in some cases; and forbid prosecution of individuals exercising established right**

This proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Establish new individual right to reproductive freedom, including right to make and carry out all decisions about pregnancy, such as prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, sterilization, abortion, miscarriage management, and infertility;
- Allow state to regulate abortion after fetal viability, but not prohibit if medically needed to protect a patient's life or physical or mental health;
- Forbid state discrimination in enforcement of this right; prohibit prosecution of an individual, or a person helping a pregnant individual, for exercising rights established by this amendment;
- Invalidate state laws conflicting with this amendment.

Should this proposal be adopted?