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## **2012 General Election Ballot Issues**

In order to pass, a constitutional amendment must receive a majority of the total ballots cast in the election. The total ballots cast were 250,701.

Therefore, based on the number of total ballots cast, the majority needed is 125,351.

### Constitutional Amendment A:

- For Votes: 181,984
- Against Votes: 54,405
- Passed – Proclamation appears at the end of this document.

### Constitutional Amendment B:

- For Votes: 212,561
- Against Votes: 25,564
- Passed – Proclamation appears at the end of this document.

### Constitutional Amendment C:

- For Votes: 122,824
- Against Votes: 88,562
- Failed



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## **Constitutional Amendment A**

Following is the ballot language of Constitutional Amendment A as it will appear on the 2012 General Election ballot:

The adoption of this amendment will provide that the right to make health care decisions is reserved to the citizens of the state of Wyoming. It permits any person to pay and any health care provider to receive direct payment for services. The amendment permits the legislature to place reasonable and necessary restrictions on health care consistent with the purposes of the Wyoming Constitution and provides that this state shall act to preserve these rights from undue governmental infringement.

A complete copy of 2011 Senate Enrolled Joint Resolution No. 2, Original Senate Joint Resolution No. 0002 is attached.

## **Constitutional Amendment B**

Following is the ballot language of Constitutional Amendment B as it will appear on the 2012 General Election ballot:

The adoption of this amendment will recognize and preserve the heritage of Wyoming citizens' opportunity to fish, hunt and trap wildlife, subject to regulation as prescribed by law.

A complete copy of 2011 Senate Enrolled Joint Resolution No. 3, Original Senate Joint Resolution No. 0001 is attached.



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### **Constitutional Amendment C**

Following is the ballot language of Constitutional Amendment C as it will appear on the 2012 General Election ballot:

The adoption of this amendment would expand the authority of district court commissioners. If the amendment is adopted, a district court commissioner could perform additional duties assigned by a district court judge, subject to any restrictions the legislature may impose by law.

A complete copy of 2011 House Enrolled Joint Resolution No. 1, Original House Joint Resolution No. 0001 is attached.

ORIGINAL SENATE  
JOINT RESOLUTION  
NO. 0002

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2, SENATE

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2011 GENERAL SESSION

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming Constitution by creating a new section providing that the right to make health care decisions is reserved to the citizens of the state of Wyoming, providing for direct payments to health care providers, allowing the legislature to establish restrictions and requiring the state of Wyoming to protect health care rights from undue governmental infringement.

*BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,* two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting separately, concurring therein:

**Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 1, by creating a new Section 38 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

**Article 1, Section 38. Right of health care access.**

(a) Each competent adult shall have the right to make his or her own health care decisions. The parent, guardian or legal representative of any other natural person shall have the right to make health care decisions for that person.

(b) Any person may pay, and a health care provider may accept, direct payment for health care without imposition of penalties or fines for doing so.

(c) The legislature may determine reasonable and necessary restrictions on the rights granted under this section to protect the health and general welfare of the

ORIGINAL SENATE  
JOINT RESOLUTION  
NO. 0002

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2, SENATE  
SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2011 GENERAL SESSION

people or to accomplish the other purposes set forth in the Wyoming Constitution.

(d) The state of Wyoming shall act to preserve these rights from undue governmental infringement.

**Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:

The adoption of this amendment will provide that the right to make health care decisions is reserved to the citizens of the state of Wyoming. It permits any person to pay and any health care provider to receive direct payment for services. The amendment permits the legislature to place reasonable and necessary restrictions on health care consistent with the purposes of the Wyoming Constitution and provides that this state shall act to preserve these rights from undue governmental infringement.

(END)

/s/ _____	/s/ _____
Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
/s/ _____	
Governor	

TIME APPROVED: 8:24 AM

DATE APPROVED: 2-19-11

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

/s/  
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Chief Clerk

Secretary of State Notation: Constitutional Amendment B

ORIGINAL SENATE  
JOINT RESOLUTION  
NO. 0001

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3, SENATE  
SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2011 GENERAL SESSION

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming Constitution by recognizing and preserving the heritage of Wyoming citizens' opportunity to fish, hunt and trap wildlife.

*BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,* two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting separately, concurring therein:

**Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, by creating Article 1, Section 38 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

**Article 1. Section 38. Opportunity to hunt, fish and trap.**

The opportunity to fish, hunt and trap wildlife is a heritage that shall forever be preserved to the individual citizens of the state, subject to regulation as prescribed by law, and does not create a right to trespass on private property, diminish other private rights or alter the duty of the state to manage wildlife.

**Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:



Secretary of State Notation: Constitutional Amendment C

ORIGINAL HOUSE  
JOINT RESOLUTION  
NO. 0001

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2011 GENERAL SESSION

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming Constitution to expand the authority of district court commissioners.

*BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,* two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting separately, concurring therein:

**Section 1.** The following proposal to amend Wyoming Constitution, Article 5, Section 14 is proposed for submission to the electors of the State of Wyoming at the next general election for approval or rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

**Article 5, Section 14. District courts generally; commissioners.**

The legislature shall provide by law for the appointment by the several district courts of one or more district court commissioners (who shall be persons learned in the law) in each organized county in which a district court is holden, such commissioners shall have authority to perform such ~~chamber business in the absence of the district judge from the county or upon his written statement filed with the papers, that it is improper for him to act,~~ as may be prescribed by law, to take depositions and perform such other duties, and receive such compensation as shall be prescribed by law.

**Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse the following statement on the proposed amendment:





# PROCLAMATION

In accordance with W.S. 22-20-108, I hereby proclaim that the following constitutional amendment, submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State of Wyoming in the General Election held on the 6th day of November 2012 on the ballot as Constitutional Amendment A, was ratified by a majority of electors of the State of Wyoming voting in said election, which fact has fully and in all respects been determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Wyoming, and said amendment has been adopted in full compliance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Wyoming and has been officially certified as adopted by the State Canvassing Board at its meeting on November 14, 2012:

**Article 1, Section 38. Right of health care access.**

(a) Each competent adult shall have the right to make his or her own health care decisions. The parent, guardian or legal representative of any other natural person shall have the right to make health care decisions for that person.

(b) Any person may pay, and a health care provider may accept, direct payment for health care without imposition of penalties or fines for doing so.

(c) The legislature may determine reasonable and necessary restrictions on the rights granted under this section to protect the health and general welfare of the people or to accomplish the other purposes set forth in the Wyoming Constitution.

(d) The state of Wyoming shall act to preserve these rights from undue governmental infringement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wyoming to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2012.



MATTHEW H. MEAD  
Governor of Wyoming

ATTEST:



MAX MAXFIELD  
Secretary of State



# PROCLAMATION

In accordance with W.S. 22-20-108, I hereby proclaim that the following constitutional amendment, submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State of Wyoming in the General Election held on the 6th day of November 2012 on the ballot as Constitutional Amendment B, was ratified by a majority of electors of the State of Wyoming voting in said election, which fact has fully and in all respects been determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Wyoming, and said amendment has been adopted in full compliance with the Constitution and the laws of the State of Wyoming and has been officially certified as adopted by the State Canvassing Board at its meeting on November 14, 2012:

## **Article 1. Section 38. Opportunity to hunt, fish and trap.**

The opportunity to fish, hunt and trap wildlife is a heritage that shall forever be preserved to the individual citizens of the state, subject to regulation as prescribed by law, and does not create a right to trespass on private property, diminish other private rights or alter the duty of the state to manage wildlife.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wyoming to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2012.



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Governor of Wyoming

**ATTEST:**

MAX MAXFIELD  
Secretary of State