

## **Deadlines for Initiated Measures, Constitutional Amendments & Referenda**

- 1.) IM/CA drafts must be submitted to LRC for style & form review - LRC has 15 days to complete and respond. If LRC determines a prison/jail population cost estimate is required, it notifies sponsors at this time. Once requested, LRC must be provided "sufficient" time to prepare prison/jail population cost estimate, which is attached to the AG's statement.
- 2.) Final IM/CA drafts must be submitted to AG - AG has 60 days to write statement & send to sponsors & SoS.
- 3.) November 6, 2016 - Signature gathering can begin for 2018 IM/CA.
- 4.) June 25, 2017 - Referendum petition signatures must be turned in to SoS.
- 5.) November 6, 2017 - IM/CA petition signatures must be delivered to SoS.
- 6.) SoS notifies sponsors if they met signature threshold within 5 days of completing 5% random sample.
- 7.) May 15, 2018 - AG ballot statement delivered to SoS for IM/CA and odd-year referenda.
- 8.) July 10, 2018 - AG ballot statement delivered to SoS for even-year referenda.
- 9.) July 10, 2018 - IM/CA/Rf may be withdrawn by request of 2/3rds of sponsors.
- 10.) August 14, 2018 - SoS delivers certified copy of IM/CA/Rf to County Auditors.
- 11.) October 1, 2018 - County Auditors send official copy of IM/CA/Rf to official newspapers.
- 12.) Official newspapers must publish official IM/CA/Rf 2-4 weeks prior to election.
- 13.) November 6, 2018 - General election.
- 14.) November 13, 2018 - State Board of Canvassers convenes to canvass election results - may delay 10 days.
- 15.) IM/CA/Rf become law when state canvass is completed.