
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the election of convention delegates from each legislative district, requires 2/3 of delegates to approve a proposal before submission to the people, and requires a majority of the people in no fewer than 3/4 of the parishes to ratify a proposed constitution.

Present constitution provides that whenever the legislature considers it desirable to revise the constitution or propose a new constitution, it may provide for the calling of a constitutional convention by law enacted by 2/3 of the elected members of each house.

Proposed constitutional amendment retains present constitution.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the convention shall be composed of one delegate elected from each senatorial district and each representative district.

Present constitution provides that the revision or the proposed constitution and any alternative propositions agreed upon by the convention shall be submitted to the people for their ratification or rejection.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the proposed constitution and any alternative propositions shall be agreed upon by 2/3 of the delegates.

Present constitution provides that if the proposal is approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon, the governor shall proclaim it to be the Constitution of Louisiana.

Proposed constitutional amendment instead provides that the proposal shall be ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon and in no fewer than 3/4 of the parishes.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held November 3, 2026.

(Amends Const. Art. XIII, §2)