The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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<u>Present constitution</u> authorizes the legislature to provide for the creation and operation of a state lottery and to create a special corporation for that purpose whose employees shall not be subject to state civil service. Requires that the net proceeds from the operation of the lottery be deposited in a special fund in the state treasury entitled the Lottery Proceeds Fund. Requires that deposits into the fund not be appropriated for expenditure in the same calendar year in which they are received. Requires that the legislature annually appropriate from the fund only for the purposes of the minimum foundation program and no more than \$500,000 for services related to compulsive and problem gaming as may be provided by law.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> provides an exception to the use of net proceeds from the operation of the lottery. Requires that the corporation provide for the sale of three separate tickets or shares in the lottery with the net proceeds from the sale of each ticket or share to be appropriated to programs for the benefit of veterans, senior citizens, and special needs persons as defined and provided by law. Prohibits appropriation of the lottery proceeds in the same calendar year in which these funds are received under proposed constitutional amendment. Requires that the determination of programs and persons eligible as veterans, senior citizens, and special needs persons be provided by law.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 3, 2020.

(Amends Const. Article XII, Section 6(A)(1))