

By the Committee on Ethics and Elections and Commissioner
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1 A proposal to create
2 ARTICLE VI, s. 7, Fla. Const., and ARTICLE XII,
3 s. 23, Fla. Const.; providing for public
4 financing of campaigns for elective statewide
5 office and for spending limits.

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7 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission
8 that:

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10 Section 1. Section 7 is added to Article VI of the
11 Florida Constitution to read:

12 ARTICLE VI

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14 SECTION 7. Campaign spending limits and funding of
15 campaigns for elective statewide office.--It is the policy of
16 this state to provide for statewide elections in which all
17 qualified candidates may effectively compete, without the
18 disproportionate influence of special interests. A method of
19 public financing for campaigns for statewide office shall be
20 established by law. Spending limits shall be established for
21 such campaigns for candidates who use public funds in their
22 campaigns. The legislature shall provide sufficient funding
23 for this provision.

24 ARTICLE XII

25 SCHEDULE

26 Section 2. Section 23 is added to Article XII of the
27 Florida Constitution to read:

28 SECTION 23. Campaign spending limits and funding of
29 campaigns for elective statewide office.--Article VI, Section
30 7, may be implemented by existing general law relating to
31 campaign spending limits and funding of campaigns for elective

1 statewide office, or by law that is equally or more protective
2 of effective competition and therefore provides greater access
3 to the ballot for all.
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