

By Commissioner Mills

1 A proposal to revise
2 ARTICLE VI, s. 5, Fla. Const.; providing for
3 open primary elections.
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5 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission
6 that:
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8 Section 1. Section 5 of Article VI of the Florida
9 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:

10 ARTICLE VI

11 SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS

12 SECTION 5. Primary, general, and special elections.--

13 (a) A primary election shall be held in each county as
14 provided by general law. In a primary election, a qualified
15 elector may vote the official primary election ballot of any
16 political party participating in such election. Each such
17 elector must be given access to the ballots of all political
18 parties participating in such primary election, but may vote
19 one ballot only.

20 (b) A general election shall be held in each county on
21 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each
22 even-numbered year to choose a successor to each elective
23 state and county officer whose term will expire before the
24 next general election and, except as provided herein, to fill
25 each vacancy in elective office for the unexpired portion of
26 the term. A general election may be suspended or delayed due
27 to a state of emergency or impending emergency pursuant to
28 general law.

29 (c) Special elections and referenda shall be held as
30 provided by law.
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