CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION



Summary of Proposed Constitutional Revision

Revision 4 (P 6004) – Prohibits Offshore Oil and Gas Drilling; Prohibits Vaping in Enclosed Indoor Workplaces

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Revision 4 amends the Florida Constitution to provide protection against the risk of exposure to environmental hazards in Florida's air and water. Specifically, this revision:

- Prohibits drilling for exploration or extraction of oil or natural gas beneath all state waters which lie between the mean high water line and the outermost boundaries of the state's territorial seas – also known as the state's coastal waters. The prohibition created by this revision does not extend to the transportation of oil or gas produced outside of state waters.
- Adds the use of vapor-generating electronic devices, an activity commonly known as "vaping," to the existing ban on tobacco smoking in enclosed indoor workplaces. A vaporgenerating electronic device is any product that employs a means of producing vapor or aerosol from a nicotine product or other substance, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, or electronic pipe.
 - The revision provides exceptions for vaping in locations where smoking is permitted, such as private residences, designated smoking guest rooms at public lodging establishments, stand-alone bars, and retail shops dedicated primarily to the sale of vaping products. The revision also permits localities to pass more restrictive vaping regulations.

If approved by the voters, Revision 4 takes effect January 8, 2019.

Vote: 33-3