Dear Wyoming Citizens:

Your vote matters! Learn the facts and help make the decisions. Elected officials, county clerks, candidates and political parties are not the only ones who can make decisions about our government. Take a look at the constitutional amendments. What do you think? It's the people's constitution. It's your constitution. Have your say.

There are also many offices up for election this year. If you are 18 years or older you have an opportunity to be heard. Vote on November 2nd.

Sincerely,	
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You may register to vote at the polls on General Election Day

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# 2004 Wyoming Voter's Guide



# General Election November 2, 2004

Joseph B. Meyer Secretary of State

## Wyoming's 2004 Constitutional Amendments

#### **Constitutional Amendment A:**

The adoption of this amendment eliminates a maximum on the amount of revenues rebated from school districts with assessed valuations exceeding statewide averages.

For	Against

#### Constitutional Amendment B:

The adoption of this provision authorizes the legislature to enact laws for local governments to use local sources of revenue for economic or industrial development subject to approval of the voters.

For	Against

### **Constitutional Amendment C:**

This amendment would allow the Wyoming legislature to enact laws requiring alternative dispute resolution or medical panel review before a person files a lawsuit against a health care provider for injury or death.

Against

For

The text of the constitutional amendments is also available at your local library, County Clerk's office, and on the Secretary of State's website: http://soswy.state.wy.us/election/2004/ ballot.htm

#### Constitutional Amendment D:

This amendment would allow the Wyoming legislature to enact laws limiting the amount of damages for noneconomic loss that could be awarded for injury or death caused by a health care provider. "Noneconomic loss" generally includes, but is not limited to, losses such as pain and suffering, inconvenience, mental anguish, loss of capacity for enjoyment of life, loss of consortium, and other losses the claimant is entitled to recover as damages under general law.

This amendment will not in any way affect the recovery of damages for economic loss under Wyoming law. "Economic loss" generally includes, but is not limited to, monetary losses such as past and future medical expenses, loss of past and future earnings, loss of use of property, costs of repair or replacement, the economic value of domestic services, loss of employment or business opportunities.

This amendment will not in any way affect the recovery of any additional damages known under Wyoming law as exemplary or punitive damages, which are damages allowed by law to punish a defendant and to deter persons from engaging in similar conduct in the future.

For	Against

The Legislature has provided that if both Constitutional Amendments C and D pass, all new language in each Constitutional Amendment shall become part of the Constitution and be numbered accordingly.

#### **Registering to Vote**

#### Voter Qualifications:

- Citizen of the United States
- Resident of the State of Wyoming
- 18 years of age by election day
- Not been convicted of a felony
- Not currently adjudicated mentally incompetent

#### Keep your registration current:

- You are registered for 2004 if you voted in the 2002 general election. (Wyoming maintains a registry of voters; you need only register once while living in Wyoming, provided you vote in each general election and do not move.)
- If you move to a different precinct or change your name, notify your County Clerk.
- If you move to a different county you must re-register.
- If you have questions about your registration or where you vote, contact your County Clerk.

#### **Absentee Voting**

Vote absentee for any reason. Call or write your County Clerk for details. Remember to return your absentee ballot immediately to assure it will be delivered to the County Clerk's office not later than 7 p.m. on election day.

## **Voting Assistance**

If you require assistance to vote by reason of a disability or inability to read or write English, you may be given assistance by a person of vour choice. Also, if you have questions regarding accessibility of your polling place, please contact your County Clerk.

#### **2004 Offices up for Election**

- U.S. President/Vice President
- U.S. House of Representatives
- Wyoming State Senate: ٠ Senate District 1 **Even Numbered Districts**
- Wyoming House of Representatives: All Districts
- Judicial Retentions
- Constitutional Amendments
- County Offices •
- Municipal Offices ٠
- School & Community College Trustees •
- Some Special Districts

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