



AAUW-WI PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION

Wisconsin Constitutional Amendments – August 13th Election

VOTE “NO” on Amendments

X Question 1: “Delegation of appropriation power. Shall section 35 (1) of article IV of the constitution be created to provide that the legislature may not delegate its sole power to determine how moneys shall be appropriated?”

- A “No” vote opposes amending the state constitution to prohibit the legislature from delegating its power to appropriate money.

X Question 2: “Allocation of federal moneys. Shall section 35 (2) of article IV of the constitution be created to prohibit the governor from allocating any federal moneys the governor accepts on behalf of the state without the approval of the legislature by joint resolution or as provided by legislative rule?”

- A “No” vote opposes these amendments, thereby allowing the governor to accept and allocate federal funds without seeking an approval vote from the state legislature.

VOTE “NO” ON THE AUGUST 13TH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

The amendments are confusing and lack clarity regarding the appropriation of federal and state funding. Any “Yes” vote has the potential to obstruct monies going to Wisconsinites. The amendments would create an unnecessary layer to our bureaucracy and would slow down the process of funding for:

- Natural disaster relief
- Pandemic services
- Schools
- Roads and bridges
- Medicare and Medicaid
- Farm subsidies
- Small business loans
- Head Start and food programs
- Infrastructure projects – high speed internet, water and sewer systems

These are just some of the services that would be impacted. Please share this information with friends and family.

VOTE “NO” AAUW MEMBERS – WISCONSIN

AAUW- WI is partnering with the Wisconsin League of Women Voters, Law Forward, GROWW, Wisc. Fair Maps, Wisc. Democracy Campaign and others to encourage citizens to **VOTE NO.** The BEST way to spread the information about the August 13th election is to speak to friends (you are their most trusted source of information), club members, walking partners, golf leagues or at sporting events. **Goal is to get out the vote.** Historically, this is a low turnout election so each vote has more importance. We encourage the use of Facebook, Next Door, and Instagram to help Wisconsinites understand the importance of August voting. Wisconsin should not be legislating by constitutional amendments. These ballot questions in August threaten to delay the federal funds we rely on during times of crisis. We cannot afford to have these funds held up in legislative gridlock.

We suggest that you go to <MyVote.WI.gov>, type your name and address, hit Enter to see your ballot for August 13th. **You may find the constitutional amendments on the back side of the ballot.**

Thanks for your efforts,

The AAUW-WI Public Policy Committee

For **additional information, please see the WI League of Women Voters website:**

From their website: “The League of Women Voters does not support or oppose candidates for office at any level of government. At the same time, the League is wholeheartedly political. We work to influence policy through advocacy.” AAUW-WI is acting with those same ethics.

<https://my.lwv.org/wisconsin/august-2024-constitutional-amendments>