

PETITION TO PLACE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. CI-108 ON THE ELECTION BALLOT

Subject to applicable laws and deadlines, if 10% of the voters in each of 40 legislative districts sign this petition and the total number of voters signing the petition is 48,674, this constitutional amendment will appear on the next general election ballot. If a majority of voters vote for this amendment at that election, it will become part of the constitution.

We, the undersigned Montana voters, propose that the secretary of state place the following constitutional amendment on the November 6, 2012, general election ballot:

Statement of Purpose

The due process section of the Montana Constitution provides that no person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law. CI-108 amends the due process section of the Montana Constitution to define "person" as used in that section to apply to "all human beings at every stage of development, including the stage of fertilization or conception, regardless of age, health, level of functioning, or condition of dependency." It grants due process rights at every stage of biological development, including fertilization or conception.

- FOR amending the Montana Constitution's due process section to define "person" to include "all human beings at every stage of development," including fertilization or conception.
- AGAINST amending the Montana Constitution's due process section to define "person" to include "all human beings at every stage of development," including fertilization or conception.

Voters are urged to read the complete text of the constitutional amendment, which appears below. A signature on this petition is only to put the constitutional amendment on the ballot and does not necessarily mean the signer agrees with the amendment.

THE COMPLETE TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL INITIATIVE NO. 108 (CI-108)

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Article II, section 17, of The Constitution of the State of Montana is amended to read:

"Section 17. Due process of law. (1) No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law.

(2) As used in this section, the word "person" applies to all human beings at every stage of development, including the stage of fertilization or conception, regardless of age, health, level of functioning, or condition of dependency.

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Saving clause. [This act] does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, or proceedings that were begun before [the effective date of this act].

NEW SECTION. Section 3. Severability. If a part of [this act] is invalid, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid part remain in effect. If a part of [this act] is invalid in one or more of its applications, the part remains in effect in all valid applications that are severable from the invalid applications.

NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. [This act] is effective upon approval by the electorate.

WARNING

A person who purposefully signs a name other than the person's own to this petition, who signs more than once for the same issue at one election, or who signs when not a legally registered Montana voter is subject to a \$500 fine, 6 months in jail, or both.

Each person is required to sign the person's name and list the person's address or telephone number in substantially the same manner as on the person's voter registration card or the signature will not be counted.

Signature	Date Signed	Residence Address <u>or</u> Post-Office Address <u>or</u> Home Telephone Number	Printed Last Name and First and Middle Initials	For County Election Office Use Only	
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Sponsor's Instructions to Signature Gatherers: 1. Only the signatures of registered voters qualify. 2. Collect voters' signatures from only one county per sheet. 3. Check for legibility and placement in the proper columns. 4. Tell each potential signer the initiative text and explanation statements printed on the petition. 5. Sign, notarize and attach an affidavit of signature gatherer to the petitions (up to 25 petition sheets from the same county can be attached to one affidavit). 6. You must have witnessed each signature you submit with the signed affidavit. 7. Don't add any signatures dated after the date the affidavit is notarized. 8. Don't fill in the legislative district column and don't check the FOR or AGAINST boxes. 9. If you have any questions about the petition, affidavits, etc., call (406) 270-0516, email us at info@montanaprolifecoalition.org or mail to Montana ProLife Coalition PO Box 2758 Bigfork, MT 59911. 10. Signed petition sheets may not be submitted to the county election administrators before October 20, 2011. 11. Signed petition sheets are due to county election administrators by 5:00 p.m. on June 22, 2012, but get them in well before that if possible.