

**NOTICE OF ELECTION TO  
INCREASE TAXES  
ON A CITIZEN PETITION**

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INCREASE TAXES  
ON A REFERRED MEASURE**

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**STATEWIDE ELECTION DAY IS  
Tuesday, November 5, 2013**

Voter service and polling centers open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

This election is a mail ballot election. For information about voter service and polling centers, please contact your county election office. Contact information for county election offices appears inside the back cover of this booklet.

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**2013 STATE BALLOT  
INFORMATION BOOKLET**

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## Voter "Cheat Sheet" for Measures on the 2013 Ballot

		YES	NO
Amendment 66:	Funding for Public Schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposition AA:	Retail Marijuana Taxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

***\*\*This is not a ballot\*\****

A **YES/FOR** vote on any ballot issue is a vote **IN FAVOR OF** changing current law or existing circumstances, and a **NO/AGAINST** vote on any ballot issue is a vote **AGAINST** changing current law or existing circumstances.

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This booklet provides information on the two statewide measures on the November 5, 2013, ballot — Amendment 66 and Proposition AA.

The state constitution requires the nonpartisan research staff of the General Assembly to prepare analyses of statewide ballot measures and distribute them in a ballot information booklet to registered voter households. Each analysis includes a description of the measure and major arguments for and against. Careful consideration has been given to the arguments in an effort to fairly represent both sides of the issue. It also includes an estimate of the fiscal impact of the measure. More information on the fiscal impact of measures can be found at: [www.coloradobluebook.com](http://www.coloradobluebook.com).

### *Amendments and Propositions*

A measure placed on the ballot through the signature-collection process that amends the state constitution is labeled an "Amendment," followed by a number. A measure placed on the ballot by the state legislature that amends the state statutes is labeled a "Proposition," followed by a double letter.

## **Amendment 66**

Amendment 66 proposes changes to the state constitution and state statute. Voter approval is required in the future to change any constitutional measure adopted by the voters, although the legislature may adopt statutes that clarify or implement these constitutional measures as long as they do not conflict with the constitution. The state legislature, with the approval of the Governor, may change any statutory measure in the future without voter approval.

Following the analysis of Amendment 66 are the title that appears on the ballot and the legal language of the measure, including a notation that the measure changes the constitution and statute. The legal language shows new language in capitalized letters and language that is being eliminated in strikeout type.

## **Proposition AA**

Proposition AA is a question referred to the voters by the state legislature. During the 2013 legislative session, the legislature approved House Bill 13-1318, a bill that proposes an excise tax and a sales tax on retail marijuana. Voter approval is required before these taxes can be imposed. For Proposition AA, the question referred to the ballot by the state legislature in House Bill 13-1318 follows the analysis.

## **Information on Local Election Officials**

The booklet concludes with the addresses and telephone numbers of local election officials. Your local election official can provide you with information on mail ballots, voter service and polling centers, and mail ballot drop-off locations.

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This publication, as well as a link to the full text of the fiscal impact statement for each measure, can be found at: [www.coloradobluebook.com](http://www.coloradobluebook.com).