



Kentucky General Election

2022 Voter Resource Guide

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REGISTER TO VOTE!

Last day to register for the 2022 general election is **MONDAY, OCTOBER 11th**

- Online Registrations must be received by 4:00PM Local Time.
- Mailed Registrations can be Postmarked 4/18 and be counted.
- Registrations returned to the Clerk's Office will be accepted by close of business. (NOTE: This is Columbus Day... certain state and local offices may be closed.)

[Kentucky Voter Information Center \(VIC\)](#)

Check your registration status & find your precinct location!

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[Kentucky State Board of Elections Homepage](#)

Contact your local [county clerk](#)

View a [sample ballot](#)

[AARP-Kentucky's "How to vote in the 2022 election" guide](#)



ADDITIONAL KEY DATES TO REMEMBER:

- October 26th through November 2nd
 - Excused, In-Person Absentee Voting: qualified voters may cast an absentee ballot during normal business hours during the six (6) business days immediately before the Thursday of no-excuse in-person absentee voting period. **MUST HAVE ONE OF THE DESIGNATED REASONS TO CAST A BALLOT DURING THIS PERIOD** (e.g.: out of the county/state on election day, known medical operations scheduled on election day, etc.)
- November 1st
 - Last day to apply for a military-overseas ballot. Applications, including the declaration accompanying a federal write-in absentee ballot, must be **received** by this day. An application for a military-overseas ballot for a primary, whether or not timely, is effective as an application for a military overseas ballot for the regular election.
- November 1st
 - Last day for any voter who received their requested absentee ballot by mail, but who now knows at least 7 days before election day that he/she will in fact be in the county on election day after all, to cancel their absentee ballot and return it to the county clerk if they have not yet voted and returned it. We all know plans can change! These voters can/shall vote in person.
- November 3rd through November 5th
 - In-person no-excuse absentee voting to be conducted in the county clerk's office or other place designated by the county board of elections and approved by the State Board of Elections. Individuals can vote prior to election day and not need to provide any reason for doing so.
- November 8th
 - GENERAL ELECTION DAY (first Tuesday after first Monday in November).
 - Polls are open 6AM to 6PM, prevailing/local time. If you are in line to vote at 6PM – STAY IN LINE; you will be allowed to vote.
 - County boards of elections to be in session all day; will meet at the clerk's office at 8AM to count absentee ballots, but the absentee ballot results shall not be made public until after 6PM., prevailing/local time.
 - Mail-in absentee ballots must be received by the clerk before 6PM, prevailing/local time. Information contained in an application for an absentee ballot shall not be made public until after the close of business hours on Election Day.
 - There is no prohibition to disclose at any time, upon request, the total number of applications for absentee ballots that have been filed.



BE PREPARED!

2022 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BALLOT MEASURES IN KENTUCKY

NOV. 8 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

KENTUCKY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1

AS IT APPEARS:

"Are you in favor of amending the present Constitution of Kentucky to repeal sections 36, 42, and 55 and replace those sections with new sections of the Constitution of Kentucky to allow the General Assembly to meet in regular session for thirty legislative days in odd-numbered years, for sixty legislative days in even-numbered years, and for no more than twelve additional days during any calendar year if convened by a Joint Proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with no session of the General Assembly to extend beyond December 31; and to provide that any act passed by the General Assembly shall become law on July 1 of the year in which it was passed, or ninety days after passage and signature of the Governor, whichever occurs later, or in cases of emergency when approved by the Governor or when it otherwise becomes law under Section 88 of the Constitution?"



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KENTUCKY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1

WHAT IT MEANS:

The amendment would remove the specific end dates listed in the Constitution of Kentucky and give the legislature the ability to set their own end dates.

The amendment also gives the legislature the ability to call themselves into special session by joint proclamation of the House and Senate.

New laws would take effect July 1 of the year they pass, or 90 days after the Governor signs them, whichever comes later.



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KENTUCKY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1

You'll be asked to vote "yes" or "no" on the measure. **REMEMBER:** each additional day the legislature holds session is estimated to cost taxpayers \$65,000 or more.

VOTE "YES":

You're voting to change the Constitution of Kentucky, granting the KY General Assembly the ability to set their own legislative end dates and special sessions.

VOTE "NO":

You're voting for no change.

Question #1 Reads: "Are you in favor of amending the present Constitution of Kentucky to repeal sections 36, 42, and 55 and replace those sections with new sections of the Constitution of Kentucky to allow the General Assembly to meet in regular session for thirty legislative days in odd-numbered years, for sixty legislative days in even-numbered years, and for no more than twelve additional days during any calendar year if convened by a Joint Proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with no session of the General Assembly to extend beyond December 31; and to provide that any act passed by the General Assembly shall become law on July 1 of the year in which it was passed, or ninety days after passage and signature of the



Governor, whichever occurs later, or in cases of emergency when approved by the Governor or when it otherwise becomes law under Section 88 of the Constitution?”

- **What would this amendment do?**
 - The amendment would remove specific legislative session end dates from the constitution and provide instead that odd-year sessions are limited to 30 legislative days and even-year sessions are limited to 60 legislative days. The amendment would allow the state legislature to set the legislative end date by statute or joint resolution and to change the end date of the legislative session through a three-fifths vote in each chamber. It would also allow the House speaker and the Senate president to jointly call a special legislative session for up to 12 days. Currently, Kentucky was one of 14 states in which only the governor could call a special session. The measure would also add that laws, except general appropriations, take effect on July 1 in the year the act was passed or 90 days after it was approved, whichever is later.
- A **"yes"** vote supports allowing the state legislature to change the end date of the legislative session through a three-fifths vote in each chamber; providing that a special legislative session up to 12 days may be called by the House speaker and the Senate president; and adds that laws take effect on July 1 in the year the act was passed or 90 days after it is signed by the governor, whichever is later.
- A **"no"** vote opposes removing legislative session end dates from the state Constitution, allowing the state legislature to set the legislative session end dates by a three-fifths vote in each chamber, and allowing the the House speaker and the Senate president to call a special legislative session up to 12 days.



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KENTUCKY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 2

AS IT APPEARS:

Are you in favor of amending the Constitution of Kentucky by creating a new Section of the Constitution to be numbered Section 26A to state as follows: To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion?



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KENTUCKY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 2

WHAT IT MEANS:

Currently the Kentucky Constitution's guarantees of individual liberty, privacy, health and safety can be considered protections of a woman's reproductive rights.

This amendment would make explicit that no such right exists regarding the termination of pregnancy. Nothing in the Constitution of Kentucky would protect an abortion for any reason.



NOV. 8 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

KENTUCKY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 2

You'll be asked to vote "yes" or "no" on the measure.

VOTE "YES":

You're voting to change the Constitution of Kentucky so that it explicitly does NOT protect a woman's right to end her pregnancy.

VOTE "NO":

You're voting for no change.

Question #2 Reads: "Are you in favor of amending the Constitution of Kentucky by creating a new Section of the Constitution to be numbered Section 26A to state as follows: To protect human life, nothing in this Constitution shall be construed to secure or protect a right to abortion or require the funding of abortion?"

- **What would this amendment do?**
 - The measure would amend the [Bill of Rights of the Kentucky Constitution](#) to state that nothing in the state constitution protects a right to abortion or requires the funding of abortion.



- As of September 2021, abortions are prohibited after 20 weeks post-fertilization except in cases of life or severely compromised physical health. Under Kentucky law, patients receiving an abortion must receive counseling and wait 24 hours prior to the procedure. The consent of a parent or guardian is also required if the patient is a minor.
- During the 2022 Regular Session, [HB3](#) passed, banning abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy and requiring women to be examined by a doctor before receiving abortion pills. Clinics would also be fined and penalized for noncompliance of the new requirements. However, due to clinic inability to meet the mandate, there have been extended judicial injunctions delaying its implementation.
- Following the Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization U.S. Supreme Court decision on June 24, 2022, there is now ongoing litigation in Kentucky as to how the “trigger” law on Kentucky books is to be implemented, wholly outlawing abortion in the Commonwealth.
- A **"yes"** vote supports amending the Kentucky Constitution to state that nothing in the state constitution creates a right to abortion or requires government funding for abortion.
- A **"no"** vote opposes amending the Kentucky Constitution to state that nothing in the state constitution creates a right to abortion or requires government funding for abortion.