

State Representative Chad Clifford's 2024 Ballot Guide



Ballot Measures

Colorado government is held closely by the citizens. Every tax collected and most major decisions require voter approval. As a result, election time requires a little bit of homework.

Your state and local governments (The General Assembly, County Commissioners, City Councils, Districts, etc.) can vote to refer a measure or any citizen may petition a question onto the ballot.

When you open the ballot, there isn't any way to tell which items were driven by special interest groups vs. referred from a legislative body.



Your ballot will have 42+ questions: 7 Candidates, 17 Judges to retain (or not), 14 Statewide Measures, 1 Regional Measure, & 3 Local Measures.

This is an "open book test", and you have plenty of time to study. Also, feel free to find a trusted source and copy their answers.



These questions are tricky and can be misleading - your choice has a huge impact.

It is important to know WHY a question is on the ballot and WHO put them there.

In today's age of misinformation and the constant bombardment from TV, Radio, and Internet ads on all of these issues - ask yourself "why?", and beware that some items on the ballot may have consequences that don't match your intention.

The groups that spend millions on ballot initiatives often have their own agenda and focus-group language that sounds favorable to voters. Doing your own research really matters.



Find more info on every question at: <https://chadforcolorado.com/2024Ballot>

Local Measures

Arapahoe County 1A - YES

Allows Arapahoe County to retain collected revenue without creating new taxes. This proposition is important for funding every service the county offers (Sheriff's Department, Health Department, District Attorney, Coroner, Roads, Etc.) This is one of the most important measures on the ballot that impacts every resident of Arapahoe County.

Cherry Creek Schools 4A - YES 4B - YES

4A - Increases funding for staffing allowing increased security, specially skilled teachers, mental health professionals, and expanding digital technology.

4B - Begins a process to replace "beyond useful life" buildings. The core of Cherry Creek's campus was built in the 1950s and no longer supports modern education. Due to the age of the buildings some repairs will now cost more than replacement.



Regional Measure



Regional Transportation District (RTD) 7A - YES

Allows RTD to spend collected revenue from all sources without creating new taxes.

Statewide Measures



Amendment G (Tax Relief for Disabled Veterans) - YES

Expands homestead exemption for Veterans with disabilities.



Amendment H (Judicial System Improvements) - YES

Establishes an independent judicial discipline adjudicative board.



Amendment I (No Bail for 1st Degree Murder) - YES

When proof is evident or presumption is great, removes constitutional right to bail.



Amendment J (Marriage Equality For Colorado) - YES

Updates Colorado Constitution to comply with established marriage equality.



Amendment K (Gives Clerks More Time To Prepare Ballots) - YES

Alters the deadlines concerning ballot issues to allow more time for Clerks to prepare ballots.



Amendment 79 (Reproductive Freedom in Colorado) - YES

Prohibits the government from interfering with the right to abortion care.



Amendment 80 (Taxpayer Funding Private Schools) - NO

Allows public school money to fund neighborhood, charter, home, and private schools.



Proposition JJ (Allow State to Use Sports-betting Taxes) - YES

Funds water and conservation projects using taxes already collected from sports-betting.



Proposition KK (Funds Veterans and Mental Health from Firearm Taxes) - YES

Funds mental health services for at-risk populations by imposing a 6.5% tax on guns and ammunition.

Proposition 127 (Prevents Hunting Mountain Lions, Lynx, and Bobcats) - Neutral

Prohibits the intentional killing, wounding, pursuing, or entrapping of these animals.



Proposition 128 (85% Mandatory Time Served Before Parole) - NO

Requires 85% of time served before parole eligibility for certain violent crimes.

Proposition 129 (Expands the Practice of Veterinary Medicine) - Neutral

Creates a new veterinary professional associate profession requiring a master's degree in veterinary clinical care.



Proposition 130 (Funds Police Officer Training & Creates Death Benefit) - YES

Earmarks \$350M for Peace Officer training and support and a \$1M death benefit for line-of-duty deaths.



Proposition 131 (Some Elections As Top 4 Primary Ranked Choice Voting) - NO

Replaces Colorado's election system for federal and statewide offices with a unique style of ranked-choice voting.



This is how I plan to vote on these issues.

Visit chadforcolorado.com for an in-depth look at how I made these choices and research links for all points of view.

Trusted Candidates

President / Vice President



Kamala D.Harris / Tim Walz

US Congress CD6



Jason Crow

C.U. Regent



Elliott Hood

State Senator SD 16



Chris Kolker

State Senator SD 26



Jeff Bridges

State Representative



Chad Clifford (me)

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Matthew Larsen

County Commissioner



Carrie Warren-Gully



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