

List the letter(s) of the format(s) you prefer: _____

5. Should any proposed initiative address only a single subject?

Yes No

6. Should proponents of an initiative be required to file documents with initiative details (exact wording and title and summary statement for the ballot) prior to beginning the process of collecting petition signatures?

Yes No

7. Should the proposed initiative be reviewed and approved for:

			Review by:
a. Language	Yes	No	_____
b. Clarity	Yes	No	_____
c. Constitutionality	Yes	No	_____

In the space beside each choice above, please list the letter(s) of the offices/groups from the list below that would be acceptable to conduct the review.

- a. Attorney General
- b. Legislative Reference Service
- c. Legislative Fiscal Office
- d. Supreme Court
- e. Special commission
- f. Alabama Law Institute
- g. Secretary of State
- h. Other (Please specify _____)

8. Should these reviews be done:

- a. At the time of initial filing
- b. After certification of petitions

9. Should the wording of the initiative title and summary statement that will appear on the ballot make clear the effect of a “yes” vote and a “no” vote?

Yes No

10. Should an impartial analysis of the initiative’s impact be prepared and disseminated to the public on:

			Analysis by:
a. Impacts on existing law	Yes	No	_____

- b. Impact on current service levels Yes No _____
 c. Fiscal impacts Yes No _____

Please use the list from question 7 to identify which office/group(s) would be acceptable to perform the analysis.

Signature Gathering and Certification

11. Should those proposing an initiative be required to file a statement identifying themselves and describing their organization before beginning to collect signatures?

Yes No

12. Should they be required to file timely and periodic financial statements identifying those individuals and organizations contributing monies and/or spending monies in support of the signature gathering and certification phase of the process?

Yes No

13. Should those individuals gathering signatures be required to sign an oath that they witnessed each signature and to the best of their ability believe the signatures are valid?

Yes No

14. Should signatures on initiative petitions be limited to registered voters?

Yes No

15. What time limit, if any, should be placed on signature gathering?

- a. 6 months from filing
 b. 1 year from filing
 c. 2 years from filing
 d. No time limit
 e. Other (Please specify _____)

16. Should there be a requirement that signatures be collected from a wide geographical area?

Yes No

(Note: we have not considered initiatives that are not of statewide application. If a League wishes to comment on possible local initiatives, please attach those comments.)

17. Should the number of required signatures be based on a:

- a. Percentage of the population

- b. Percentage of registered voters
 - c. Percentage of those voting in the previous election
 - d. Percentage of those voting for a specific office in the last election
 - e. Other (Please explain _____)
18. Should the percentage required be the same for statutory and constitutional initiatives?
- a. Yes, the same
 - b. No, higher for statutory
 - c. No, higher for constitutional

The Campaign

It is generally agreed that voter education is critical and that information about the initiative and its effect should be available in printed form and on the Internet.

19. What other forms of voter education are needed?
20. Besides initiative proponents and opponents, who should be involved in voter education?
21. Should the filing of timely and periodic disclosure of financial contributions and expenditures be required of those seeking to influence the outcome of an initiative campaign?

Yes No

22. Should public funds ever be used in support or opposition to an initiative?

Yes No

If Yes, when or what stage of the process? _____

If No, are there any exceptions you would allow? Explain. _____

The Vote

23. When should initiatives be placed on the ballot?
- a. General elections only
 - b. Any regularly scheduled election (primary, general, runoff)
 - c. Special election if the next regularly scheduled election is more than one year

d. from the date of initiative petition certification
Other (Please specify _____)

24. a. Should a simple majority be sufficient to pass an initiative?

Yes No If No, what percentage?

b. Should a larger majority be required for passage of a constitutional amendment initiative than a statute?

Yes No If Yes, How much?

25. Should there be a limit on the number of initiatives that may appear on the ballot at any one time?

Yes No

26. If a limit is placed on the number of initiatives on the ballot, which of the following criteria should be used to determine which of several initiatives should appear on the ballot? (Select one)

- a. Order of initiative filing
- b. Number of valid signatures an initiative receives
- c. Other (Please specify _____)

27. If an initiative is defeated, should there be a limit on when it may again appear on the ballot in substantially the same format?

Yes No

If Yes, how long should it be before it can appear on the ballot again? _____

28. Are there other issues that you believe should be addressed in relation to I& R?
Please explain.