

The Martin County Democratic Party says YES on Amendments 3 and 4

We say NO on Amendments 1, 2, 6

We do not make a recommendation on 5. It has positive and negative consequences. The FDP recommends voting NO on 5.

Who Initiated	Title	Subject	Description	Analysis/What We Recommend
Florida Legislature	Amendment 1	Partisan School Boards	<p>Makes school board elections partisan statewide starting in 2026</p> <p>If passed, candidates would be required to run under a specific party affiliation. The candidate’s party affiliation would appear on the ballot and the candidate could openly campaign with their party affiliation.</p>	<p>We recommend a NO vote so that school boards remain nonpartisan races. Keep politics out of education!</p>
Florida Legislature	Amendment 2	Right to Hunt and Fish	<p>Enshrines a right to hunt and fish in the state constitution</p> <p>Also states that hunting and fishing are the preferred means of controlling fish and wildlife</p>	<p>We recommend a NO on 2 because a Yes vote would mean hunting and fishing would be the preferred way to manage and control fish and wildlife. We believe the current system where the state government oversees regulations to protect fish and wildlife is the better system, not hunters and fishermen.</p>
Citizen Initiated	Amendment 3	Legalize Marijuana	<p>Would make it legal for adults 21 and older to have up to 3 ounces of marijuana and up to 5 grams of cannabis concentrate. It would also allow them to possess, purchase and use marijuana projects and accessories without needing a medical marijuana card, as is the case now.</p>	<p>We recommend a YES on 3. This would ensure accountability, transparency, and regulations in place regarding marijuana. It will add tax revenues for government. It will mean less government interference in the lives of adults and fewer tax dollars wasted on unnecessary arrests and prosecutions for simple possession of marijuana. This amendment includes guardrails so that public spaces will</p>

				remain smoke-free, similar to tobacco use.
Citizen Initiated	Amendment 4	Limit Government Interference in Abortions	No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when necessary to protect the patient's health, as determined by the patient's healthcare provider. This amendment does not change the Legislature's constitutional authority to require notification to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion.	We recommend Yes on 4. Ends the extreme abortion ban. Allows for legalized abortions up until fetal viability or to protect a patient's health.
Florida Legislature	Amendment 5	Adjust Homestead Exemption	Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to require an annual adjustment for inflation to the value of current or future homestead exemptions that apply solely to levies other than school district levies and for which every person who has legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence of the owner, or another person legally or naturally dependent upon the owner is eligible. This amendment takes effect January 1, 2025.	We are not making recommendations on this proposed amendment because, if passed, it would have a mixed result. While reducing taxes for property owners is beneficial, it will also mean government has less money to work with in fulfilling its duties. It should be noted that the FDP advises a NO on this amendment.
Florida Legislature	Amendment 6	End Campaign Financing	Would repeal the provision in the State Constitution that requires public financing for campaigns of candidates for elective statewide office who agree to campaign spending limits.	We recommend No on 6. We do not want the Florida Constitution changed to repeal public campaign financing limits. Having public campaign financing helps level the playing field among candidates.