

**SAMPLE BALLOT • STATE OF TENNESSEE
STATE AND FEDERAL GENERAL ELECTION
DECATUR COUNTY • NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

GOVERNOR

Vote for One (1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Constance M. Every Independent Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Charles Van Morgan Independent Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Michael E. Scantland Independent Candidate
<input type="checkbox"/> Bill Lee Republican Party Nominee	<input type="checkbox"/> John Gentry Independent Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Alfred O'Neil Independent Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Rick Tyler Independent Candidate
<input type="checkbox"/> Jason Brantley Martin Democratic Party Nominee	<input type="checkbox"/> Basil Marceaux Independent Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Deborah Rouse Independent Candidate	<input type="checkbox"/> Write-in

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Constitutional Amendment # 1 Vote for One (1)	Constitutional Amendment # 2 Vote for One (1)
<p>Summary: This amendment would add a new section to article XI of the Tennessee Constitution to make it illegal for any person, corporation, association, or the State of Tennessee or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person because of the person's membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with any labor union or employee organization.</p> <p>Question: Shall Article XI of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language as a new section? It is unlawful for any person, corporation, association, or this state or its political subdivisions to deny or attempt to deny employment to any person by reason of the person's membership in, affiliation with, resignation from, or refusal to join or affiliate with any labor union or employee organization.</p>	<p>Summary: This amendment would add to article III, section 12 of the Tennessee Constitution a process for the temporary exercise of the powers and duties of the governor by the Speaker of the Senate—or the Speaker of the House if there is no Speaker of the Senate in office—when the governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office of governor. While a Speaker is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the governor, the Speaker would not be required to resign as Speaker or to resign as a member of the legislature; but the Speaker would not be able to preside as Speaker or vote as a member of the legislature. A Speaker who is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the governor would not get the governor's salary but would get the Speaker's salary. The amendment would also exempt a Speaker who is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the governor from provisions in the Constitution that would otherwise prohibit the Speaker from exercising the powers of the governor and from simultaneously holding more than one state office.</p> <p>Question: Shall Article III, Section 12 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language immediately following the current language in the Section? Whenever the Governor transmits to the Secretary of State, the Speaker of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, a written, signed declaration that the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the powers and duties of the office of Governor shall be temporarily discharged by the Speaker of the Senate as Acting Governor, or if that office is unoccupied, then by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as Acting Governor, until the Governor transmits to the same officials a written, signed declaration that the Governor is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office. Whenever a majority of the commissioners of administrative departments of the Executive Department transmits to the Secretary of State, the Speaker of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written, signed declaration that the Governor is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the Speaker of the Senate shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting Governor, or if that office is unoccupied, then the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting Governor, until the Governor transmits to the same officials a written, signed declaration that the Governor is able to discharge the powers and duties of the office. Whenever a Speaker is temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor, such Speaker shall not be required to resign the Speaker's position as the Speaker or to resign as a member of the general assembly and shall retain the Speaker's salary and not receive the Governor's salary, but such Speaker shall not preside as Speaker or vote as a member of the general assembly during the time the Speaker is Acting Governor. and Shall Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language immediately before the period at the end of the Section? except as provided in Article III, Section 12 with regard to the Speaker of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor and Shall Article II, Section 26 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language at the end of the Section? This section shall not apply with regard to the Speaker of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives temporarily discharging the powers and duties of the office of Governor as Acting Governor under Article III, Section 12.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Constitutional Amendment # 3 Vote for One (1)	Constitutional Amendment # 4 Vote for One (1)
<p>Summary: This amendment would change the current language in article I, section 33 of the Tennessee Constitution, which says that slavery and involuntary servitude, except as punishment for a person who has been duly convicted of crime, are forever prohibited in this State. The amendment would delete this current language and replace it with the following language: "Slavery and involuntary servitude are forever prohibited. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an inmate from working when the inmate has been duly convicted of a crime."</p> <p>Question: Shall Article I, Section 33 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following? Section 33. Slavery and involuntary servitude are forever prohibited. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an inmate from working when the inmate has been duly convicted of a crime.</p>	<p>Summary: This amendment would delete article IX, section 1 of the Tennessee Constitution, which prohibits ministers of the gospel and priests of any denomination from holding a seat in either House of the legislature.</p> <p>Question: Shall Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution of Tennessee be amended by deleting the section?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> No

STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICES

United States House of Representatives District 7 Vote for One (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Mark E Green Republican Party Nominee
<input type="checkbox"/> Odessa Kelly Democratic Party Nominee
<input type="checkbox"/> Steven J. Hooper Independent Candidate
<input type="checkbox"/> Write-in
Tennessee Senate District 25 Vote for One (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ed Jackson Republican Party Nominee
<input type="checkbox"/> Ronnie Henley Independent Candidate
<input type="checkbox"/> Write-in
Tennessee House of Representatives District 72 Vote for One (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Kirk Haston Republican Party Nominee
<input type="checkbox"/> Write-in

DECATUR COUNTY

Liquor Referendum County Retail Package Stores Vote for One (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> To permit retail package stores to sell alcoholic beverages in Decatur County?
<input type="checkbox"/> Not to permit retail package stores to sell alcoholic beverages in Decatur County?
CITY OF DECATURVILLE
Liquor Referendum Decaturville City Retail Package Stores Vote for One (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> To permit retail package stores to sell alcoholic beverages in Decaturville?
<input type="checkbox"/> Not to permit retail package stores to sell alcoholic beverages in Decaturville?

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