

1 AN ACT proposing an amendment to Section 145 of the Constitution of Kentucky  
2 relating to persons entitled to vote.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. Are you in favor of amending the present Constitution of Kentucky  
5 to repeal Section 145 and create a new section to allow United States citizens, who are at  
6 least 18 years old and have resided in the state for one year, the county for six months,  
7 and the precinct for 60 days, to vote, unless they have been convicted of treason, bribery  
8 in an election, or election fraud, or have been determined mentally incompetent to vote,  
9 as stated below?

10 ➔Section 2. It is proposed that the following section of the Constitution of  
11 Kentucky be repealed:

12 Section 145 Persons entitled to vote.

13 ➔SECTION 3. IT IS PROPOSED THAT A NEW SECTION BE ADDED TO  
14 THE CONSTITUTION OF KENTUCKY TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

15 **(1) A person shall be eligible to vote only if he or she:**

16 **(a) Is a United States citizen;**

17 **(b) Is at least eighteen years old; and**

18 **(c) Has resided in the state for one year, the county for six months, and the**  
19 **precinct in which he or she offers to vote for sixty days.**

20 **(2) A person shall not be eligible to vote if he or she:**

21 **(a) Has been convicted of treason, bribery in an election, or election fraud in**  
22 **any court of competent jurisdiction, unless restored to his or her right to**  
23 **vote by executive pardon; or**

24 **(b) Has been determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be mentally**  
25 **incompetent to vote, unless that judicial determination has been set aside.**

26 ➔Section 4. This amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the  
27 Commonwealth for their ratification or rejection at the time and in the manner provided

1 for under Sections 256 and 257 of the Constitution, KRS 118.415, and Sections 4 and 5  
2 of this Act.

3       ➔Section 5. Notwithstanding any provision of KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the  
4 Secretary of State shall cause the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this Act and the  
5 entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky contained in  
6 Sections 2 and 3 of this Act to be published at least one time in a newspaper of general  
7 circulation published in this state, and shall also cause to be published at the same time  
8 and in the same manner the fact that the amendment will be submitted to the voters for  
9 their acceptance or rejection at the next regular election at which members of the General  
10 Assembly are to be voted for. The publication required by this section and KRS 118.415  
11 shall be made no later than the first Tuesday in August preceding the election at which  
12 the amendment is to be voted on.

13       ➔Section 6. Notwithstanding any provision of KRS 118.415 to the contrary, the  
14 Secretary of State, not later than the second Monday after the second Tuesday in August  
15 preceding the next regular election at which members of the General Assembly are to be  
16 chosen in a year in which there is not an election for President and Vice President of the  
17 United States, or not later than the Thursday after the first Tuesday in September  
18 preceding a regular election in a year in which there is an election for President and Vice  
19 President of the United States, shall certify the entirety of the question in Section 1 of this  
20 Act and the entirety of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of Kentucky  
21 contained in Sections 2 and 3 of this Act to the county clerk of each county, and the  
22 county clerk shall have the entirety of the question and the amendment, as so certified,  
23 indicated on the ballots provided to the voters in paper or electronic form as applicable to  
24 the voting machines in use in each county or precinct.