CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, REFERENDUMS AND INITIATIVES

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 13

AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED BY THE LEGISLATURE

Attorney General's Explanatory Statement

The Legislature submitted this proposal for a vote. It would amend the Montana Constitution to allow the Montana Supreme Court to censure, suspend, or remove any judge for violating the rules of judicial ethics adopted by the Supreme Court. Currently the Supreme Court may discipline judges for willful misconduct in office or for willful and persistent failure to perform judicial duties. This proposal would authorize an additional ground for the discipling of judges.

AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MONTANA AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VII, SECTION 11, OF THE MONTANA CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW THE MONTANA SUPREME COURT TO DISCIPLINE A JUSTICE OR JUDGE FOR VIOLATION OF CANONS OF JUDICIAL ETHICS ADOPTED BY THE COURT.

> FOR amending the Montana Constitution to allow the Montana Supreme Court to discipline judges for violating rules of judicial ethics adopted by the court.

> AGAINST amending the Montana Constitution to allow the Montana Supreme Court to discipline judges for violating rules of judicial ethics adopted by the court.