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Voter Guide

Commonwealth of Virginia
SAMPLE BALLOT
County of Albemarle
General and Special Elections
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

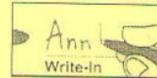
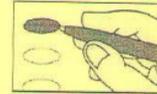
Instructions:

To vote for a candidate, use a black ball point pen to fill in the oval next to the name.

To vote on a question, fill in the oval next to Yes or No.

To write in a qualified candidate who is not on the ballot, fill in the oval and write the name of the person on the line.

If you want to change a vote or have made a mistake, ask for another ballot.



**Member
United States Senate**
Vote for only one

- Corey A. Stewart - R
- Timothy M. Kaine - D
- Matt J. Waters - L

Write-in

**Proposed Constitutional Amendment
Question 2**

Shall the real property tax exemption for a primary residence that is currently provided to the surviving spouses of veterans who had a one hundred percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability be amended to allow the surviving spouse to move to a different primary residence and still claim the exemption?

- Yes
- No

**Member
House of Representatives
5th District**
Vote for only one

- Denver L. Riggleman, III - R
- Leslie C. Cockburn - D

Write-in

Authorized by Electoral Board
of the County of Albemarle
401 McIntire Road
Charlottesville, VA 22902

**Proposed Constitutional Amendment
Question 1**

Should a county, city, or town be authorized to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if flooding resiliency improvements have been made on the property?

- Yes
- No

Notice: The authority statement printed above must be removed and replaced with the appropriate authority statement for the candidate, committee, individual or group using this ballot for their own purposes. The authority statement used for this ballot must comply with the requirements of either federal or state law, as appropriate. For state requirements, see §24.2-956.1 of the *Code of Virginia*. For federal requirements, call the Federal Election Commission, 1-800-424-9530

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Voter Regulations

Photo ID Requirements

- You will need to show one acceptable photo identification card (photo ID) whenever you vote in person. This is Virginia law for all voters.
- Many types of photo ID are acceptable for voting in Virginia. You only need to show ONE acceptable photo ID to vote.
- Photo IDs can be used to vote up to one year after the ID has expired.

Acceptable forms of Valid Identification:

- Virginia driver's license
- Virginia DMV-issued photo ID
- United States passport
- Employer-issued photo ID
- Student photo ID issued by a school, college, or university located in Virginia
- Other U.S. or Virginia government-issued photo ID
- Tribal enrollment or other tribal photo ID
- Virginia Voter Photo ID card

NEED A PHOTO ID?

- If you don't have an ID, go to your nearest **voter registration office** to get a **free** Voter Photo ID, even on Election Day.
- You will be required to complete a **photo ID application**, have your photo taken, and sign a digital signature pad. The Virginia Voter Photo ID card is valid for voting purposes only.

Forgot your photo ID on Election Day?

- If you arrive without an acceptable photo ID, you can vote a provisional ballot.
- You will be given instructions on what to do so your vote can count.

How to Find a Polling Location

- Your polling place is based on your home address. In order for your vote to count, you need to be at the correct polling place.
- You can look up your polling place information by visiting the Virginia Department of Elections website at <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation/PollingPlaceLookup>.
- Polling places are set up in government facilities, such as town halls, schools, fire stations, community centers, or other public buildings.

Getting a Ride to the Polls

- If you are unable to drive or don't have a ride to the polls, there are services that will take you for free. In Charlottesville, CAR2Vote is one of these services. You can request a ride by either filling out a form, which can be found car2vote.weebly.com, or calling 434-260-1547.
- On **election day, November 6, 2018**, Uber will be offering free rides to polling places through their ride sharing service. There will be an option on the app to find your polling place and call for a ride there, for free.

U.S. Senate

Corey A. Stewart (R)

- Opposes amnesty for people who entered the country illegally and wants to ban sanctuary cities.
- Believes that people who entered the country illegally should be arrested and deported.
- Supports building the border wall proposed by the president.
- Anti-abortion.
- Supports defunding Planned Parenthood.
- Wants to repeal the Affordable Care Act.
- Supports lowering taxes for all.
- Wants to develop America's natural resources including renewable alternatives.



- Wants to gain independence from foreign oil.
- Supports improving Virginia infrastructure.
- Supports National Concealed Carry legislation.
- Supports school vouchers.
- Supports parents being in charge of their children's education.
- Wants to raise salary for law enforcement and provide more training.

U.S. Senate

Timothy M. Kaine (D)

- Supports DACA and amnesty for people who entered the country illegally.
- Supports the Dream Act.
- Supports the re-designating of Temporary Protection Status to include more countries.
- Supports abortion rights.
- Supports funding Planned Parenthood.
- Wants to keep and protect the Affordable Care Act.
- Wants to raise taxes on the wealthy and large corporations.
- Wants to transition towards renewable energy.
- Opposes opening Virginia's coast to offshore drilling.
- Supports improving Virginia infrastructure.
- Supports ban on assault weapons and high capacity magazines.



- Wants to raise funding for Title 1 schools.
- Wants to reduce the cost of college.
- Supports universal background checks.

U.S. Senate

Matt J. Waters (L)

- Supports tighter border security.
- Supports changing the law on chain migration.
- Opposes building the border wall proposed by the president.
- Anti-abortion.
- Supports defunding Planned Parenthood.
- Wants to repeal the Affordable Care Act.
- Supports repealing federal minimum wage.
- Wants to enact spending freeze at Department of Defense, Department of Agriculture, Department of Justice, Department of Homeland Security, and Department of State.
- Supports strengthening Social Security through private accounts.
- Wants to privatize Energy, HUD, Commerce, Interior, and Education Departments, as well as the Postal Service and Amtrak.
- Supports concealed carry and is a member of the National Rifle Association.



- Wants to eliminate the Drug Enforcement Agency.
- Believes that education should be privatized and put into the marketplace to compete with non-profits and for-profits.
- Wants to reduce standing army and military budget.

Proposed Amendments and Meals Tax

Proposed Constitutional Amendment Question 1

Ballot Question, *“Should a county, city, or town be authorized to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if flooding resiliency improvements have been made on the property?”*

The proposed amendments would permit the General Assembly to allow localities to provide a **partial** tax exemption for real property subject to recurrent flooding, if improvements have been made on the property to address flooding. The General Assembly and participating localities would have the ability to place restrictions or conditions on qualification for the exemption.

Full Text of the Amendment: “(k) The General Assembly may by general law authorize the governing body of any county, city, or town to provide for a partial exemption from local real property taxation, within such restrictions and upon such conditions as may be prescribed, of improved real estate subject to recurrent flooding upon which flooding abatement, mitigation, or resiliency efforts have been undertaken.”

Proposed Constitutional Amendment Question 2

Ballot Question, *“Shall the real property tax exemption for a primary residence that is currently provided to the surviving spouses of veterans who had a one hundred percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability be amended to allow the surviving spouse to move to a different primary residence and still claim the exemption?”*

The Constitution of Virginia currently **requires** the General Assembly to provide a tax exemption of the principle, permanent residence of any veteran who has a 100 percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability. It also requires a text exemption be granted to the surviving spouse of such veteran, as long as said property is their principle residence. The proposed amendment would allow the surviving spouse of a veteran meeting qualifications to claim the exemption even if they move to a new principle residence.

Full text of the Amendment (**the amendment would remove the crossed out portion and add the underlined portion**): “The General Assembly shall also provide this exemption from taxation for real property owned by the surviving spouse of a veteran who was eligible for the exemption provided in this subdivision, so long as the surviving spouse does not remarry ~~and continues to occupy the real property as his or her principal place of residence.~~ This exemption applies to the surviving spouse's principal place of residence without any restriction on the spouse's moving to a different principal place of residence.”

Meals Tax (on Fluvanna Ballot Only)

“Should Fluvanna County enact an ordinance to levy a tax on food and beverages sold, for human consumption, by a restaurant, in an amount not to exceed 4% of the amount charged for such food and beverages as provided in Virginia Code Section 58.1-3833? If this food and beverage tax is adopted and a maximum tax rate of four percent is imposed, then the total tax imposed on all prepared food and beverage shall be 9.3%, the total, expressed as a percentage, of all existing ad valorem taxes applicable to the transaction (5.3% sales tax), added to the four percent county food and beverage tax to be approved by the referendum.”

5th Congressional District

Denver Riggleman (R)

- Supports the Repeal of the Affordable Care Act.
- Supports strengthening Health Savings Accounts.
- Supports school choice.
- Wants to reform standardized testing.
- Wants to reform government limitations on vocational schools and community colleges for job training programs.
- Wants to address issues of student debt and rising costs of college.
- Supports 2nd amendment as is.
- Opposes banning bump stocks, large capacity magazines, or assault rifles.
- Believes people found guilty of domestic abuse should not be allowed to own firearms.
- Supports defunding Planned Parenthood.
- Supports a 20-week abortion ban.
- Supports building a border wall where it is practical and supports technological barriers, like sensors, to help secure the southern border.
- Supports a mandatory E-Verify program



and migrant visa reform.

- Supports the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and wants to make individual tax cuts permanent and supports more tax reform.
- Opposes pipelines in Virginia.
- Opposes raising the federal minimum wage.
- Opposes net neutrality.

5th Congressional District

Leslie Cockburn (D)

- Wants to Protect Affordable Care Act.
- Supports single-payer Medicare for all.
- Opposes funding school vouchers.
- Wants to reform standardized testing.
- Wants to reduce interest rates on student loans.
- Supports free community college.
- Wants to regulate gun show loopholes and internet firearm purchases.
- Supports banning bump stocks, large capacity magazines, and assault weapons.
- Believes people found guilty of domestic abuse should not be allowed to own firearms.



- Supports funding Planned Parenthood.
- Supports abortion rights.
- Opposes building a physical wall on the southern border.
- Supports reforming the Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency and supports comprehensive immigration reform.
- Opposes the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and would like to reverse the bill.
- Opposes pipelines in Virginia.
- Supports raising the federal minimum wage.
- Supports net neutrality.

7th Congressional District

Dave A. Brat (R)



- Supports defunding the Affordable Care Act.
- Opposes funding for Planned Parenthood.
- Anti-abortion.
- Supporter of gun rights and opposes any attempts to confiscate guns or create a national gun registry.
- Wants to prevent cuts to Social Security and Medicare.
- Wants to address asylum reform to ensure that families stay together at the borders.
- Supports ending reliance on foreign oil through the private sector.
- Wants to reduce the national debt through a reduction in federal spending.
- Supports securing the borders.
- Opposes top-down education initiatives such as Common Core and No Child Left Behind.
- Supports a full audit of the Federal Reserve System.

Abigail A. Spanberger (D)



- Supports strengthening the Affordable Care Act, Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP and wants to reinstate the individual mandate for the ACA.
- Supports federal funding for Planned Parenthood.
- Supports abortion rights.
- Supports background checks on all firearms purchases.
- Wants to protect Social Security and Medicare and opposes attempts to privatize the systems.
- Supports better border security through officer training and physical infrastructure.
- Supports investing in renewable energy.
- Wants to pursue universal coverage, specifically through Medicare-X.
- Supports pathways to legal status for people who entered the country illegally and contribute to society.
- Supports organized labor unions and union apprenticeship programs.
- Supports greater transparency and accountability in Congress.

7th Congressional District

Joseph B. Walton (L)



- Wants to improve the Affordable Care Act.
- Wants to detach healthcare from employers.
- Supports abortion rights.
- Wants responsible gun ownership, supports a strong background check system.
- Wants to adjust Medicare and Social Security for the younger generations.
- Wants states to legislate immigration.
- Supports a transition to solar energy.
- Wants to lower taxes and does not support the 2017 tax plan.
- Opposes the recent tariffs proposed on imports.
- Wants to lower college tuition.
- Wants to reduce federal government spending.

Also on the Ballot

Buckingham County:

Clerk of Court

- Diane B. Blackburn
- C. T. "Nicci" Edmondston
- Justin D. Midkiff
- Samuel G. "Sam" Davis
- David Wade Ball

Charlottesville:

Member of School Board (special election)

- James Edward Bryant

Greene County:

Mayor of Standardsville

- Gary E. Lowe

Member Town Council (Standardsville)

- Jon P. Newton
- Doris Rorrer Swenson
- Richard N. Early, Jr.
- Jennifer A. Ziros

What's on My Ballot?



<https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/candidate-list/>

Where do I Vote?



<https://www.elections.virginia.gov/citizen-portal/index.html>

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