

Ballot results for Ohio Constitutional amendments, statutes and referenda proposed by petition since 1950

Since a referendum that receives a majority “no” vote, repealing a new law, is a successful ballot measure, it is marked “**passed.**”

Year	Type	Topic	Outcome
2011	Constitutional Amendment	Choose health care coverage	Passed
2011	Referendum	Government employee contracts (S.B. 5)	Passed
2009	Constitutional Amendment	Casino gambling	Passed
2008	Referendum	Payday lending	Failed
2008	Constitutional Amendment	Casino gambling	Failed
2006	Constitutional Amendment	Minimum wage	Passed
2006	Constitutional Amendment	Casino gambling	Failed
2006	Constitutional Amendment	Pro-smoking measure	Failed
2006	Statutory Initiative	Prohibit smoking in places of employment and most public places	Passed
2005	Constitutional Amendment	Vote by mail	Failed
2005	Constitutional Amendment	Contribution limits	Failed
2005	Constitutional Amendment	Legislative redistricting	Failed
2005	Constitutional Amendment	Election administration	Failed
2004	Constitutional Amendment	Defining the word 'marriage'	Passed
2002	Constitutional Amendment	Drug treatment and incarceration	Failed
1998	Statutory Initiative	To prohibit the hunting or taking of mourning doves	Failed
1997	Referendum	Repeal changes in workers compensation laws	Passed
1996	Constitutional Amendment	Authorize the establishment of river boat casino gambling in Ohio	Failed
1994	Constitutional Amendment	Prohibit taxes on the sale or purchase of food for human consumption off the premises where sold	Passed
1992	Statutory	Require businesses to provide labels or warnings in the	Failed

	Initiative	use or release of toxic chemical substances	
1992	Constitutional Amendment	Limit successive terms of office for U.S. Senator from Ohio to two terms and U.S. Representative from Ohio to four terms	Passed
1992	Constitutional Amendment	Limit successive terms of office for State Senator from Ohio to two terms and State Representative to four terms	Passed
1992	Constitutional Amendment	Limit successive terms of office for Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Attorney General, and Auditor of State to two terms	Passed
1990	Constitutional Amendment	Authorize the license of a casino resort hotel. The City of Lorain would serve as a pilot program for potential statewide or county-by-county gaming ordinances. Taxes would be levied on the revenues.	Failed
1987	Constitutional Amendment	Change the way Ohio selects its Supreme Court and Appeals Court judges by abolishing the direct election method and replacing it with an appointment system.	Failed
1983	Constitutional Amendment	Repeal all taxes passed since 1982.	Failed
1983	Constitutional Amendment	Require a 3/5 majority of the General Assembly to raise taxes.	Failed
1983	Constitutional Amendment	Raise the minimum age to 21 years for the consumption of beer.	Failed
1982	Constitutional Amendment	Direct election of Public Utility Commissioners	Failed
1981	Constitutional Amendment	Abolish the present methods of establishing general assembly and congressional districts, to create the commission for reapportionment and redistricting, and to require the commission to approve the plan which is most compact.	Failed
1981	Constitutional Amendment	Authorize the sale of workers compensation insurance coverage by private insurance companies	Failed
1980	Statutory Initiative	Restructure state taxes on personal income, real estate, corporations, and personal property.	Failed
1979	Statutory Initiative	Provide mandatory deposits on all bottles and prohibit the sale of beverages in metal cans that have detachable pull-tabs	Failed
1977	Constitutional Amendment	Prohibit the use of leg hold traps or any trapping device causing prolonged suffering.	Failed
1977	Constitutional Amendment	Provide that a person is entitled to vote if he or she has been registered for 30 days.	Passed
1976	Constitutional Amendment	Simplify the procedures for initiative and referendum.	Failed
1976	Constitutional Amendment	Establish procedures for legislative hearings and approval of safety features of nuclear power plants and	Failed

		related facilities.	
1976	Constitutional Amendment	Provide for representation of residential utility consumers in regulatory actions affecting their interests.	Failed
1976	Constitutional Amendment	Limit the rates which may be charged to residential consumers for fixed amounts of gas and electricity.	Failed
1975	Constitutional Amendment	Authorize the issuance of bonds and notes, not to exceed \$2.75 billion for capital improvements for cities, villages, counties and other subdivisions and for other capital improvements including energy facilities and heart and cancer facilities.	Failed
1975	Constitutional Amendment	Relative to the authority of the state, municipal corporations, and counties to provide assistance with respect to housing and nursing, extended care and other health facilities.	Failed
1975	Constitutional Amendment	Authorize the issuance of bonds and notes, not to exceed \$1.75 billion to be paid from an additional levy of 9/10 of 1 cent per gallon of gasoline tax, for the development, restoration, and upgrading of highways and other transportation facilities.	Failed
1975	Constitutional Amendment	Create and preserve jobs by the authorization of tax incentives to industrial plants.	Failed
1972	Constitutional Amendment	Conditions for prohibition upon the levy of a tax on income, except a municipal income tax, or increasing the rates thereof, without the approval of a majority of the voting electors.	Failed
1965	Statutory Initiative	Amend the school foundation program and increase taxes to support it.	Failed
1962	Constitutional Amendment	Limit the power of the state to forbid the sale of certain goods and services on Sunday.	Failed
1958	Constitutional Amendment	Forbid labor contract which establish union membership as a condition for continuing employment (right-to-work)	Failed
1955	Statutory Initiative	Increase unemployment compensation	Failed