

We want 10+ Days of Early Voting!

Sign Our Mississippi Early Voting Initiative 78, #MEVi78,

Because of "Legislative Inaction", this ballot initiative is sponsored by
Mississippi House 40 Representative Hester Jackson-McCray.

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**The Mississippi Constitution shall be amended in Article 12 to add Section 244 (B):**  
**Before every election, there shall be no fewer than ten (10) days of early voting, including no fewer than two (2) Saturdays, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, at the responsible Clerk's Office and qualifying early voting locations. There shall be no early voting the day before the election. The responsible County Circuit Clerk or Municipal Clerk for every election shall provide additional early voting locations based on the number of registered voters: one additional early voting location is required for each increment of thirty thousand (30,000) registered County Voters or ten thousand (10,000) registered Municipal Voters according to the latest federal decennial census. Early voting ballots shall be saved using a system that allows ballots to be recounted for election certification and audit. Early voting ballots shall be added to election day ballots and announced as one result. Within sixty (60) days of passage, the Secretary of State shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to effectuate early voting, including measures to inform the public about the availability of early voting. The estimated costs for implementing this initiative:** to pay for staffing of 4 (or more) persons for each early voting precinct for 10 days of early voting shall be paid for from the monies collected by out of state sale tax revenues or as otherwise provided by legislation, and is estimated at \$500 per day for each additional County or Municipal voting precinct and \$3,000 for 5 additional hours for each Clerk's Office on each Saturday. Because of the state's experience of having to increase funds to handle the 2020 primary and national elections, due to the pandemic, funding this early voting ballot initiative for election costs may require a reallocation from currently-funded programs.

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Please follow these directions so that your signature on this petition will be counted:

- **When finished, TURN IN THIS PETITION, before July 2022, to the County Circuit Clerk, by either mail or personally handing it in.** All of their mailing addresses can be googled.
- **ONE PETITION PAGE FOR EACH COUNTY.** The County Circuit Clerks can only certify registered voters from **their County** so each page of #MEVi78 can only have 1-10 multiple voters sign it, *all from the same county*. A voter from a different county requires a different petition page and it must be turned in to that different County Circuit Clerk. When you have finished #MEVi78, please turn it in, or mail it for certification. If we collect the required 106,190 certified signatures, we must *hand them all in by August 2022*, to the MS Secretary of State.
- **You must be a Mississippi REGISTERED VOTER** for your original signature to be certified/counted **once**, by your County Circuit Clerk. (No internet petitions are lawful.) Even if just one signature is on this petition, you can hand it in to your County Circuit Clerk.
- **Legal Paper:** All MS ballot initiative petitions must be copied front and back onto one piece of legal paper: 8.5"x14"s. If you need a petition mailed to you, text or call 662-429-4412 with your name and address.

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Contributions for

→ **DIRECTIONS FOR COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERKS:** (Please do not return certified petitions to circulators who may not know that they must ALL be returned to MEVi78.)

→ Please mail certified petitions to: **MEVi78, 6888 Goodman Rd, Suite 115, Olive Branch, MS 38654.**

Or call to arrange pickup:

MEVi78 Co-Chair: Mrs. Kelly Jacobs 662-429-4412 or KELLITAJ@AOL.COM

WARNING: Every person who knowingly signs this petition with any other than his or her true name, signs more than one of these petitions relating to the same initiative measure, signs this petition when he or she is not a qualified elector or makes any false statement on this petition may be punished by fine, imprisonment, or both.

**• PETITION FOR INITIATIVE MEASURE •
TO AMEND THE MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION**

TO THE HONORABLE MICHAEL WATSON, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

We, the undersigned citizens and qualified electors of the State of Mississippi, respectfully direct that this petition and the proposed measure known as **Initiative Measure No. 78**, entitled **Should the Mississippi Constitution be amended to require at least ten days, including Saturdays, of early voting before every election?**

a full, true and correct copy of which is printed or attached to this petition, be transmitted to the Legislature of the State of Mississippi at its next ensuing regular session, and we respectfully petition the Legislature to adopt the proposed measure; and each of us for himself or herself says: "I have personally signed this petition, I am a qualified elector of the State of Mississippi in the city (or town), county, and congressional district written after my name, my residence address is correctly stated and I have knowingly signed this petition only once."

Ballot Summary Initiative Measure 78 would require no fewer than ten days of early voting including two Saturdays, and additional early voting locations based on the number of registered voters. Early voting ballots shall be saved using a system that allows ballots to be recounted for election certification and audit. Early voting ballots shall be added to election day ballots and announced as one result. The initiative delegates regulatory authority to the Secretary of State.

SIGNATURE <i>(include middle initial)</i>	STREET ADDRESS CITY/TOWN	COUNTY	PRINTED NAME <i>(include middle initial)</i>	DATE SIGNED	Precinct	Cong. Dist.
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CERTIFICATE OF PETITION CIRCULATOR:

INSTRUCTIONS: Petition circulators must sign and complete all blanks.

I hereby certify that I am a resident of the State of Mississippi during the time at which this petition is being circulated.

Signature of Circulator: _____
 Current physical address: _____
 Current telephone number: _____

Printed name: _____
 City, State and Zip: _____
 Date signed: _____