## The Pure Democracy Amendment (Missouri)

The Missouri Constitution opens with a powerful statement of democratic ideals:

"All political power is vested in and derived from the people.

All government of right originates from the people,

is founded upon their will only,

and is instituted solely for the good of the whole."

There is a name for a government based on these principles – direct democracy. Direct democracy is sometimes referred to as "pure democracy" because it is free of the flaws that typically corrupt representative democracies. A government that fully lives up to these ideals would be a perfect democracy.

The Pure Democracy Amendment that is being proposed in Missouri will make it easier for the citizens of Missouri (and members of the General Assembly) to call referendums and use the initiative to propose legislation. It will allow citizens to sign initiative petitions electronically through Online Accounts for Politically Active Citizens and allow a "super-minority" of one-third or more of the members of either house of the General Assembly to call referendums or put proposals on the ballot through the initiative.

If the required number of signatures are gathered on these petitions by May 5, 2024, the Pure Democracy Amendment will be on the ballot in Missouri on November 5, 2024. If approved by voters, the Pure Democracy Amendment will take effect 30 days later and -

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