

# OFFICIAL LIST OF PROPOSALS

11/04/2014 - STATE GENERAL

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY

## STATE PROPOSALS

### PROPOSAL 14-1

A REFERENDUM OF PUBLIC ACT 520 OF 2012, ESTABLISHING A HUNTING SEASON FOR WOLVES AND AUTHORIZING ANNUAL WOLF HUNTING SEASONS

Public Act 520 of 2012 would:

- Designate wolf as game for hunting purposes and authorize the first wolf hunting season.
- Allow the Natural Resources Commission to schedule annual wolf hunting seasons.
- Provide criminal penalties for the unlawful possession or taking of wolves, but shield a person who lawfully captures or destroys a wolf from prosecution.
- Require a person who wishes to hunt wolves to obtain a wolf hunting license.
- Create a Wolf Management Advisory Council for the purpose of making nonbinding recommendations to the legislature regarding the proper management of wolves.

Should this law be approved?

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### PROPOSAL 14-2

A REFERENDUM OF PUBLIC ACT 21 OF 2013, GRANTING THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION THE POWER TO DESIGNATE WOLVES AND CERTAIN OTHER ANIMALS AS GAME WITHOUT LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Public Act 21 of 2013 would:

- Allow the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) to designate certain animals as game for hunting purposes and establish the first hunting season for game animals without legislative action.
- Continue the NRC's designation of wolves as game and allow the NRC to set a wolf hunting season.
- Grant the Legislature sole authority to remove a species from the list of designated game animals.
- Eliminate the \$1.00 hunting and fishing licensing fee for members of the military, whether stationed inside or outside of Michigan, subject to any lottery.
- Give the NRC sole authority to regulate fishing.

Should this law be approved?

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**COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES PROGRAM PROPOSAL**

For the sole purpose of funding a County veterans affairs program to provide services to Shiawassee County veterans of active United States military service and their dependents, shall the constitutional limitation on general ad valorem taxes which may be assessed in any one year upon all property within the County of Shiawassee, Michigan, be increased by up to a maximum of an additional 0.20 mills (\$0.20 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for the period of 5 years from 2014 through 2018 inclusive?

If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$334,806 for the County Veterans Affairs program in the first calendar year of the levy. As required by law, a portion of the millage may also be disbursed to the Downtown Development Authorities of the Cities of Corunna, Durand, Laingsburg, and Owosso, and the Villages of Lennon, Morrice, New Lothrop and Vernon, the Brownfield Authorities of Owosso Township and the City of Owosso.

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**SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROPOSAL**

For the sole purpose of providing Shiawassee Sheriff's Office operations and equipment, shall the constitutional limitation on general ad valorem taxes which may be assessed in any one year upon all property within the County of Shiawassee, Michigan, be increased by up to a maximum of an additional 1.5 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for the period of 5 years from 2014 through 2018 inclusive?

If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$2,511,044 for the Sheriff's Office operations and equipment in the first calendar year of the levy. As required by law, a portion of the millage may also be disbursed to the Downtown Development Authorities of the Cities of Corunna, Durand, Laingsburg, and Owosso, and the Villages of Lennon, Morrice, New Lothrop and Vernon, the Brownfield Authorities of Owosso Township and the City of Owosso.

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**CITY OF OWOSSO PROPOSALS**

**MILLAGE PROPOSAL**

Shall the city of Owosso, Michigan, be permitted to increase its authorized millage rate beginning in 2015 for two years, 2015 to 2016 inclusive by an additional 1.9630 mills (\$1.9630 per \$1,000) on each dollar of the taxable value of all taxable property in the city of Owosso for reconstruction, resurfacing, repairing and otherwise improving city streets, which will restore to the city the charter-authorized millage amount for general purposes which has been reduced by Section 31 of Article IX of the state constitution of 1963, all of which tax revenues would be disbursed to the city of Owosso?

The charter-authorized millage amount has been reduced by required millage rollbacks in recent years to 13.0370. If approved, levy would raise approximately \$470,112 in 2015.

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## SHIAWASSEE TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

### SHIAWASSEE TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION FUNDING RENEWAL

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all taxable property in the Shiawassee Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan be renewed by, and the township board by authorization to levy, one mill (one dollar per \$1000 of taxable valuation of such property) for a period of ten years, 2014-2023 inclusive, to provide funds for fire protection in Shiawassee Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan? The Estimated amount to be raised for the first year to be \$75,361.92.

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## VILLAGE OF BANCROFT PROPOSALS

### OPERATIONAL MILLAGE

Shall the Village of Bancroft assess an additional two (2) mills on each dollar per thousand dollars of taxable value on all real and personal property within the Village, said millage amount dedicated to general operational purposes, for a period of twenty (20) years, beginning July 1, 2015?

If approved and levied in its entirety, the millage would raise an estimated amount of \$11,266.74 per year. This would be the authorization of a new additional millage.

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