

Program of Work Planning for the LWV of Washington State (2021-2023)

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ARTICLE XI. Principles and Program.

Section 1. Principles. The principles are concepts of government adopted by the national convention and supported by the League as a whole. They are the authorization for the adoption of national, state and local program.

Section 2. Program. The program of the LWVWA shall consist of action to implement the principles and those state governmental issues chosen for study and action. Program recommendations shall include title and scope. The convention shall adopt the program using the following procedures: a. Local Leagues and MAL units may make recommendations for state program to the state board at least three months prior to the convention.

The state board shall consider the recommendations and formulate a recommended program which shall be submitted to the local Leagues and MAL units and post on the member section of LWVWA website not less than forty days prior to the convention.

b. Local Leagues and MAL units may submit proposals for changes in the recommended program or corrections in the not recommended program. Proposals received by the state board at least three weeks before the opening of the convention shall be considered by the board at a meeting prior to the convention at which time the board may change the recommended program. Such changes may not be voted on by the convention on the same day on which they are presented.

c. A majority vote shall be required for the adoption of the program recommended by the state board.

d. Any recommendation for the program submitted to the state board at least three months before the convention but not recommended by the board may be adopted by the convention provided consideration is ordered by a majority vote and on a following day the proposal for adoption receives a 3/5 vote.

Section 3. Program Action. Local Leagues, ILOs, and MAL units may take action on state governmental issues only in accordance with procedures established by the LWVWA. Such action shall be in conformity with positions taken by the LWVWA and LWVUS. Members may act in the name of the LWVWA only when authorized to do so by the state board.