

2024 Pend Oreille County Republicans

Plank #21 – Advisory Ballot Votes

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Advisory votes have been added by initiatives to the ballot three times in the last fifteen years, each time by over a 70%+ margin of Washington State voters. Only to have them removed from the ballot by Democrat Legislators and Auditors, as they did so again in 2023.

We believe;

1. Advisory vote notices on taxes and expenditures on the ballot are the most cost-effective way to remind and educate the voters about what was done to them in the previous year.
2. Advisory vote notices hold our public officials accountable before they are elected to tax and spend even more money in the next election cycle.
3. The State Attorney General and the Secretary of State have a conflict of interest and should not be allowed to write and/or limit the titles and cost explanations that appear on the ballot. Rather they should be written by the minority party leadership.