Initiative 2023-24 # 224: Concerning Amendments to Initiated Statutes

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Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In the constitution of the State of Colorado, section 1 of article V, **amend** (2) as follows:

Section 1. GENERAL ASSEMBLY - INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

- (2)(a) The first power hereby reserved by the people is the initiative, and signatures by registered electors in an amount equal to at least five percent of the total number of votes cast for all candidates for the office of secretary of state at the previous general election shall be required to propose any measure by petition, and every such petition shall include the full text of the measure so proposed. Initiative petitions for state legislation and amendments to the constitution, in such form as may be prescribed pursuant to law, shall be addressed to and filed with the secretary of state at least three months before the general election at which they are to be voted upon.
- (b) In order to protect the people's initiative right, state legislation passed by initiative can only be modified by a subsequent vote of the people or a supermajority 3/4 vote of both the house of representatives and the senate and with the signature of the governor.