Ballot Title Setting Board

Proposed Initiative 2007-2008 #82¹

The title as designated and fixed by the Board is as follows:

An amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning a prohibition against discrimination by the state, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the state from discriminating against or granting certain forms of preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, education, and contracting; defining preferential treatment to mean adopting quotas or awarding points solely on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin; preserving the state's authority to take action to establish or maintain eligibility for a federal program; protecting the validity of a court-ordered remedy or consent decree in a civil rights action; and defining "state" to include, without limitation, the state of Colorado, any agency or department of the state, any public institution of higher education, any political subdivision, or any governmental instrumentality of or within the state.

The ballot title and submission clause as designated and fixed by the Board is as follows:

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning a prohibition against discrimination by the state, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the state from discriminating against or granting certain forms of preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, education, and contracting; defining preferential treatment to mean adopting quotas or awarding points solely on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin; preserving the state's authority to take action to establish or maintain eligibility for a federal program; protecting the validity of a court-ordered remedy or consent decree in a civil rights action; and defining "state" to include, without limitation, the state of Colorado, any agency or department of the state, any public institution of higher education, any political subdivision, or any governmental instrumentality of or within the state?

Hearing April 16, 2008: Single subject approved; staff draft amended; titles set. Hearing adjourned 3:07 p.m.

Hearing May 7, 2008:

Motion for Rehearing granted in part to the extent Board amended titles; denied in all other respects.

Hearing adjourned 9:32 a.m.

¹ Unofficially captioned "Discrimination/Preferential Treatment by Colorado Governments" by legislative staff for tracking purposes. Such caption is not part of the titles set by the Board.