

# YES ON PROP 140

BETTER CHOICES. BETTER RESULTS. BETTER ARIZONA.

- Eliminate taxpayer funding for partisan elections
- Treat Independent/unaffiliated voters and candidates fairly
- Every voter can participate in every election
- All candidates can run in all elections and will appear on the same ballot
- Ensures that the majority of voters support the eventual election winners
- Same signature requirements for all candidates
- No funding for partisan Presidential Primary unless unaffiliated voters can vote too
- Requires the State Legislature to establish an election system that guarantees the right of all voters to vote and all qualified candidates to compete in all publicly funded, publicly administered elections, without regard to their party affiliation or non-affiliation.

## PROP 140 TREATS EVERY VOTER & EVERY CANDIDATE FAIRLY.

In an open primary, all candidates will appear on the same ballot and compete under the same rules, and all registered voters will use that same ballot to cast their vote for their preferred candidate(s). The use of taxpayer funds to pay for private political party primaries would be prohibited.

**Every Voter, Every Election:** Any registered voter can vote in any election for any candidate they want.

- **Currently:** the partisan primary system, paid for by all taxpayers, places an additional burden on voters who are not affiliated with a political party. A voter who does not belong to a party must select a party ballot to vote in a Primary election.

**Competition Produces Better Choices:** Makes elected officials accountable to the majority of voters and leads to better choices, better results, and a stronger Arizona.

- **Currently:** 70% of Arizona voters DO NOT believe our elected officials are focused on the issues they care about most.

**Stop Politics of Division:** Builds consensus, and encourages candidates to be responsive to all constituents, countering divisive politics and incentivizing them to focus on issues that unite us.

- **Currently:** our system of voting for the lesser of two evils rewards elected politicians who are most effective at instilling fear of their political rivals.

**All Voters Matter:** Open primaries will give voters equal opportunity to weigh in on who is elected. More than 80% of all legislative races are determined in summer primaries, where less than 30% of the electorate participates.

- **Currently:** our summer primary election system has concentrated power in the hands of the most partisan and polarized segments of the population who turn out.

**Equal Treatment:** Treats all candidates and voters equally by allowing them to compete under the same rules.

- **Currently:** unaffiliated candidates must collect over 6x the number of signatures compared to their partisan counterparts to qualify for the ballot and are not allowed to appear on the primary ballot.



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