

ACTS
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Second Annual Session
OF THE
One Hundred and Ninety-fifth Legislature
OF THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AND
Twenty-fourth Under the New Constitution



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AMENDMENT TO THE
1947 CONSTITUTION

(1113)

Amendment to the 1947 Constitution

PROPOSED AMENDMENT ADOPTED

Amend Article I, paragraph 9 to read as follows:

9. The right of trial by jury shall remain inviolate; but the Legislature may authorize the trial of civil causes by a jury of six persons. The Legislature may provide that in any civil cause a verdict may be rendered by not less than five-sixths of the jury. The Legislature may authorize the trial of the issue of mental incompetency without a jury.

2. When this proposed amendment to the Constitution is finally agreed to, pursuant to Article IX, paragraph 1 of the Constitution, it shall be submitted to the people at the next general election occurring more than 3 months after such final agreement and shall be published at least once in at least one newspaper of each county designated by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General Assembly and the Secretary of State, not less than 3 months prior to said general election.

3. This proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be submitted to the people at said election in the following manner and form:

There shall be printed on each official ballot to be used at such general election, the following:

a. In every municipality in which voting machines are not used, a legend which shall immediately precede the question, as follows:

If you favor the proposition printed below make a cross (×), plus (+) or check (✓) in the square opposite the word "Yes." If you are opposed thereto make a cross (×), plus (+) or check (✓) in the square opposite the word "No."

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b. In every municipality the following question:

	Yes.	<p style="text-align: center;">JURY TRIALS</p> <p>Do you approve of the amendment to the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, agreed to by the Legislature, providing that the Legislature may authorize the trial of civil causes by a jury of not less than six persons.</p>
	No.	

Adopted December 6, 1973.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO THE 1947 CONSTITUTION
THAT HAVE BEEN REJECTED

Proposed Amendments to the 1947 Constitution that have been Rejected

PROPOSED AMENDMENT REJECTED

Amend Article II, paragraph 3, to read as follows:

3. (a) Every citizen of the United States, of the age of 18 years, who shall have been a resident of this State for 6 months and of the county in which he claims his vote 40 days, next before the election, shall be entitled to vote for all officers that now are or hereafter may be elective by the people, and upon all questions which may be submitted to a vote of the people; and

(b) Every citizen of the United States, of the age of 18 years, who shall have been a resident of the State and of the county in which he claims his vote 40 days, next before the election and who shall not be eligible to vote elsewhere, shall be entitled to qualify and to vote for electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, only, in such manner as the Legislature shall provide; and

(c) Any person registered as a voter in any election district of this State who has removed or shall remove to another State or to another county within this State and is not able there to qualify to vote by reason of an insufficient period of residence in such State **or county, shall, as a citizen of the United States, have the right to vote for electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, only, by Presidential Elector Absentee Ballot, in the county from which he has removed, in such manner as the Legislature shall provide.**

Rejected November 4, 1969.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT REJECTED

Amend Article II, paragraph 3, to read as follows:

3. (a) Every citizen of the United States, of the age of 19 years, who shall have been a resident of this State 6 months and of the county in which he claims his vote 40 days, next before the election, shall be entitled to vote for all officers that now are or hereafter may be elective by the people, and upon all questions which may be submitted to a vote of the people; and

(b) Every citizen of the United States, of the age of 19 years, who shall have been a resident of the State and of the county in which he claims his vote 40 days, next before the election and who shall not be eligible to vote elsewhere, shall be entitled to qualify and to vote for elections for President and Vice-President of the United States, only, in such manner as the Legislature shall provide; and

(c) Any person registered as a voter in any election district of this State who has removed or shall remove to another State or to another county within this State and is not able there to qualify to vote by reason of an insufficient period of residence in such State or county, shall, as a citizen of the United States, have the right to vote for electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, only, by Presidential Elector, Absentee Ballot, in the county from which he has removed, in such manner as the Legislature shall provide.

Rejected November 3, 1970.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT REJECTED

Amend Article V, Section IV, paragraphs 2 and 3 to read as follows:

2. Each principal department shall be under the supervision of the Governor. The head of each principal department shall be a single executive unless otherwise provided by law. Such single executives shall be nominated and appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor during his term of office and until the appointment and qualification of their successors.

3. The Secretary of State and the Attorney General shall be nominated and appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate to serve at the pleasure of the Governor during his term of office and until the appointment and qualification of their successors.

Rejected November 7, 1972.

