

Spencer J. Cox Lieutenant Governor

Lt. Governor Spencer J. Cox releases 2018 ballot initiative results

SALT LAKE CITY (May 29, 2018) – Lt. Governor Spencer J. Cox has released the official results of the 2018 statewide initiative signature gathering process.

According to <u>Utah Code 20A-7-201</u>, in order for a citizens' initiative to be deemed sufficient to be placed on the general election ballot, sponsors shall obtain legal signatures equal to 10 percent of the cumulative total of all votes cast by voters of the state for all candidates for President of the United States at the last regular general election at which a President of the United States was elected (113,143 per the current process). Additionally, legal signatures equal to 10 percent of the total of all votes cast in a district for all candidates for President of the United States at the last regular general election at which a President of the United States was elected must be collected from each of at least 26 of 29 Utah Senate districts.

County clerks have processed the submitted signatures and the Office of Elections has reviewed and processed each signature removal form. Accordingly, Lt. Governor Cox has declared the following:

NAME	FINAL VALID SIGNATURES	VALID SIGNATURE REMOVALS	VALID DISTRICTS	STATUS
Medical Cannabis Act	153,894	1,425	27/29	Sufficient
Independent Redistricting Commission	150,082	0	26/29	Sufficient
Direct Primary Election	131,984	2,951	23/29	Insufficient

Utah Decides Healthcare Act of 2018	147,280	4	26/29	Sufficient
Freedom of Association Initiative	39	0	0/29	Insufficient

Additional details can be found at <u>elections.utah.gov</u>, and the official declarations can be found <u>here</u>.

Per statute, the Lt. Governor shall submit the initiatives deemed to be sufficient to a vote of the people at the next regular general election. Due to ongoing litigation, Lt. Governor Cox and the Office of Elections will not offer additional comment at this time.