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Options for language for proposed Constitutional Amendment

- No amendment — leave as is
- Current proposal which completely eliminates any reference to slavery.
- That all persons are born equally free and independent and have certain natural, inherent and unalienable rights, amongst which are the enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property and pursuing and obtaining happiness and safety. Slavery and involuntary servitude in all forms are prohibited.
- That all persons are born equally free and independent and have certain natural, inherent and unalienable rights, amongst which are the enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property and pursuing and obtaining happiness and safety; therefore, no person born in this country or brought from over sea ought to be holden by law, to serve any person as a servant, slave or apprentice, unless bound by the persons' own consent or bound by law for the payment of debts, damages, fines, costs, or the like.
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