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**Independent Voters May Vote on Initiative Measure No. 77 in the June 2018 Primary**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – As the June 19, 2018 Primary Election approaches, the District of Columbia Board of Elections (DCBOE) would like to inform all independent and minor party voters that they **may** vote in the Primary. This is because Initiative Measure No. 77, the "District of Columbia Minimum Wage Amendment Act of 2017," has qualified for ballot access. Unaffiliated and minor party voters will receive a ballot that only contains Initiative Measure No. 77. The short title and summary statement for Initiative Measure No. 77 will appear on the ballot as follows:

**SHORT TITLE**

"District of Columbia Minimum Wage Amendment Act of 2017"

**SUMMARY STATEMENT**

If enacted, this Initiative will:

- Gradually increase the minimum wage in the District of Columbia to \$15.00 hourly by 2020;
- Gradually increase the minimum wage for tipped employees so that they receive the same minimum wage directly from their employer as other employees by 2026;
- Beginning in 2021, require the minimum wage to increase yearly in proportion to increases in the Consumer Price Index.

The minimum wage increases under the initiative will not apply to D.C. government employees or employees of D.C. government contractors.

A reminder will be sent by mail to all unaffiliated and minor party registered voters in the District notifying them that they are eligible to vote on the Initiative in the Primary, and notifying them of the contents of the Initiative.

Information regarding Election Day polling places and Early Voting locations and hours can be found [on the Board of Elections website](http://www.dcboe.org). Simply enter your address, and your Election Day polling place will be displayed, along with all Early Voting locations. Early Voting in the District begins on June 4, 2018.

*The District of Columbia Board of Elections is an independent agency of the District government responsible for the administration of elections, ballot access and voter registration.*

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