

**Timeline for Referendum Process
Pursuant to Proposed New Section 1e**

The last possible day a referendum petition challenging a law may be filed is the effective date of the law, which occurs 90 days after the governor signs the law and files it with the Secretary of State. The deadlines will vary based on the effective date of the law. This chart provides three examples.

Action	Time Deadlines		
Date Governor files law with Secretary of State	March 1	June 1	December 1
Filing of referendum petition to occur within 90 days	May 29	August 30	March 1
Secretary of State to verify petitions and signatures within 30 days following filing of the petition – Section 1e(A)	June 28	September 29	March 31
Filing of action in Supreme Court challenging Secretary of State’s determination on petitions and signatures to occur within 7 days following ruling by Secretary of State – Section 1e(C)	July 5	October 6	April 7
Supreme Court to issue ruling on action filed challenging the Secretary of State’s determination on petitions and signatures to occur within 14 days following filing of action – Section 1e(C)	July 19	October 20	April 21
Filing of additional signatures to occur within 10 days following Supreme Court decision – Section 1e(D)	July 29	October 30	May 1
Secretary of State to verify additional signatures within 10 days following the filing of the signatures – Section 1e(D)	August 8	November 9	May 11
Filing of action in Supreme Court challenging Secretary of State’s determination on additional signatures to occur within 7 days following ruling by Secretary of State – Section 1e(E)	August 15	November 16	May 18
Supreme Court to issue ruling on action filed challenging the Secretary of State’s determination on additional signatures to occur within 14 days following filing of action – Section 1e(E)	August 29	November 30	June 1
Election at which issue will be presented	General Election	Primary Election	General Election