

VOTE NO!

November 7, 2017

Constitutional Convention



Here's why:

- **It's a waste of money**

- Experts estimate that a constitutional convention could cost \$50-\$100 million in taxpayer dollars.
- Lawmakers and judges elected as delegates could double their salaries and fatten their pensions.

- **Too much is at stake, including:**

- Free public education
- The right to unionize
- "Forever Wild" protections
- State lands/forest protections
- A budget role for the Legislature
- Workers' compensation

- **Most delegates are not ordinary citizens**

- At the 1967 convention, 4 out of 5 delegates were career politicians, attorneys and Albany insiders. All leaders were sitting legislators.
- People from an established party need **1,000** signatures to run. Individuals independent of a political party need **3,000** signatures to run. At-large candidates need **15,000** signatures to run.

- **It's unnecessary**

- The NYS Constitution can be amended through the Legislature—as it has been more than 200 times—most recently in 2015 to create an independent commission on redistricting, and to allow the Legislature to save money by going paperless.



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