

§4302. Referendum

1. Question submitted to voters. Prior to the construction of any nuclear power plant within the State, the question of approving that construction must be submitted to the voters of the State in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election. This question must be submitted to the legal voters of the State at the next following statewide election. The municipal officers and plantation assessors of this State shall notify the inhabitants of their respective cities, towns and plantations to meet, in the manner prescribed by law for holding a statewide election, to vote on the acceptance or rejection of construction by voting on the following question:

"Do you approve construction of the nuclear power plant proposed for (insert locations)?"
[PL 1999, c. 398, Pt. A, §95 (AMD); PL 1999, c. 398, Pt. A, §§104, 105 (AFF).]

2. Manner of voting and counting ballots. The legal voters of each city, town and plantation shall vote by ballot on this question and shall designate their choice by a cross or check mark placed within a corresponding square below the words "Yes" or "No." The ballots shall be received, sorted, counted and declared in open ward, town and plantation meetings and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review the return and, if it appears that a majority of the legal voters are in favor of construction, the Governor shall proclaim that fact without delay.

[PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6 (NEW).]

3. Preparation of ballots. The Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this subchapter necessary to carry out the purpose of this referendum.

[PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1987, c. 141, §A6 (NEW). PL 1999, c. 398, §A95 (AMD). PL 1999, c. 398, §§A104,105 (AFF).

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