



# **VOTE AGAINST** *the Constitutional Amendment*

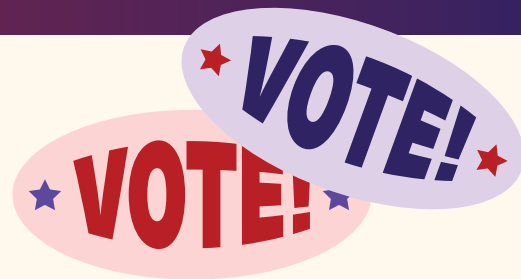
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Americans across races, places, and parties value our freedoms – and far-right extremists are panicking. They're spreading lies about immigrants and voting to sow doubts about an election and distract from their unpopular agenda to take away our freedoms and allow corporations to decide our futures for us.

**In North Carolina, extremist lawmakers passed House Bill 1074, a ballot initiative that rewrites our state's constitution.**

HB 1074 proposes to amend the North Carolina Constitution to modify the qualifications to vote to only a "citizen" by removing "every person born in the United States and every person who has been naturalized..."

By removing the term "naturalization" from the constitutional voting qualifications, this opens the door to confusion and may prevent naturalized citizens from exercising their fundamental right to vote, including political self-determination, that is guaranteed to all U.S. citizens.



**Diffuse anti-immigrant hate and vote "No" this fall!**

### **REFERENDA**

#### **Constitutional Amendment**

Constitutional amendment to provide that only a citizen of the United States who is 18 years of age and otherwise possessing the qualifications for voting shall be entitled to vote at any election in this State.

For

Against

## Why is this Amendment Harmful?

**North Carolina Elections are Secure** — In North Carolina, we understand the importance of safe and accessible elections. The **State Board of Elections has ensured this in our state** through verification checks, post-election audits, and having bipartisan, trained officials and an Investigations Division, to ensure a transparent voting process we can respect.

**HB 1074 Creates Confusion and Chills Naturalized Citizens' Voting Rights** — Removing the term “naturalization” from the constitutional voting qualifications opens the door to confusion and may prevent naturalized citizens from exercising their fundamental right to vote, including political self-determination, that is guaranteed to all U.S. citizens.

**Immigrants and Naturalized Citizens are Vital to North Carolina's Economy** — As labor market shortages continue to impact various industries, immigrants have contributed meaningfully to the state's workforce and economy.

Immigrants' collective spending power amounts to \$22 billion, while their tax contributions surpass \$7 billion dollars. In 2018, 61,838 immigrant business owners accounted for 12% of all self-employed North Carolina residents and generated \$1.1 billion in business income.

