Support commissioner measures

The proposed election Measures 15-224, 15-225 and 15-226 are intended to change the office of county commissioner from a partisan office to a nonpartisan office, change the number of commissioners from three to five and reduce the salaries of commissioners to \$75,000 per year.

The existing commissioners and county administrator apparently do not support these measures. Two commissioners will take taxpayer-supported salaries of \$150,000 while the third has decided not to run for re-election.

The \$150,000 salaries exceed the governor's salary of \$98,600 as well as every county commissioner's salary in the state. The county administrator has provided inflated cost projections for the implementation of these measures, and it appears that he has been rewarded by the commissioners with the best performance appraisal he has ever received.

Some would call this a quid pro quo.

Vote Yes.

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