

Official General Election Ballot, November 3, 2026

Monroe County, Florida

• Instructions: To vote, fill in the oval completely next to your choice. Use only the marking device provided or a black or blue pen.

• If you make a mistake, ask for a new ballot. Do not cross out or your vote may not count.

• To vote for a write-in candidate, fill in the oval and print the name clearly on the blank line provided for the write-in candidate.

United States Senator (Vote for 1) ☐ Ashley Moody REP ☐ Angie Nixon DEM ☐ Neil J. Gillespie NPA

No. 3 Constitutional Amendment
Article VII, Sections 4, 6, and 9
Article XII

Increased Homestead Exemption; Lower
Cap on Increases in Non-Homestead
Property Assessments

This amendment increases the homestead exemption, for all non-school taxes, to \$150,000 in 2027 and \$250,000 in 2028, and adjusts for inflation thereafter. It requires the Legislature to prescribe a uniform procedure for counties and municipalities, for their respective levies, to increase the homestead exemption up to full assessed value, and allows special districts, subject to referendum approval, to do the same.

Persons who are not Florida residents on December 31, 2026, will receive the existing homestead exemption upon qualifying for a homestead exemption, with the increased homestead exemption beginning with the fifth year of exemption, to the extent permitted by the U.S. Constitution.

This amendment reduces the annual cap on assessment increases for non-homestead properties from 10% to 5%.

This amendment requires counties and municipalities to use property taxes solely for public safety, education and schools, infrastructure, natural resources, bond debt service, retirement benefits for employees, and operations and administration. Other expenditures may be approved by county officers or county or municipal governing bodies unless prohibited by general law, notwithstanding Article VII, Section 9(a) of the Florida Constitution, which allows counties and municipalities to levy property taxes for their respective purposes.

This amendment takes effect January 1, 2027.

☐ Yes

☐ No