

## State-Level Issues Important to Florida Voters

A recent survey from the Center for Excellence on Polling found that voters give strong backing to good-government reforms on local issues from health care to housing, and property taxes to government transparency—often with overwhelming bipartisan support.

### Health Care Reforms Are Widely Supported

When it comes to health care, commonsense reforms are popular across party lines—with approval numbers as high as 10-to-1 in some cases.

**83%** When asked about a hospital policy that restricts physicians from working in other health care settings—even after the physician leaves the hospital—83 percent of voters (including 86 percent of Democrats) **support increased flexibility for outside work.**

Clear majorities of all likely Republicans, Democrats, and Independents also strongly support health care reforms such as...

**61%** **Expanding Florida's Shared Savings Program to the public.** This program gives state employees a credit for services (like vision and dental) if they pick a more affordable health plan.

**61%** Allowing membership organizations and associations to **offer health care options to their members.**

**54%** Requiring insurers to **apply out-of-network costs to annual deductibles.**

### Clear Bipartisan Support for Increasing the Homestead Exemption

Results indicate strong support for reforms that would ease the tax burden on Florida homeowners: More than seven in 10 of all likely voters—including majorities of Republicans (73%), Democrats (67%), and Independents (72%)—**support increasing the homestead exemption on property taxes from the existing \$25,000 to \$75,000.** This reform would allow homeowners to only pay taxes on the property's value above \$75,000.

## Floridians Support Good Government Reforms

The survey found strong support for welfare reform and government transparency as well.

**72%** Nearly three-quarters of those surveyed (72%) support **requiring able-bodied adults to work, train, or volunteer at least part time to remain eligible for public housing**. The proposed requirement received more than two-to-one support from Democrats (62%) and Independents (68%).

**57%** Florida voters widely support improved transparency in elections, with 57 percent (including 78 percent of Republicans) in favor of **requiring all communication between federal agencies and state agencies regarding elections to be reported transparently** to the governor and the state legislature.