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(Wyo.)-State's Voters Face Three Amendments Next Week



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CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) - Wyoming voters face three constitutional questions in next week's general election.

The first proposal would amend the Wyoming Constitution to specify that competent adults have the right to make their own health care decisions. Republican Sen. Leslie Nutting of Cheyenne was the main sponsor in last year's legislative session.

Proponents originally pushed the amendment to voice the state's opposition to the federal Affordable Care Act. Nutting says she still sees a place for the amendment despite the U.S. Supreme Court ruling this summer upholding portions of the federal law. Critics of the proposal warn that it's likely to have unintended consequences.

The next amendment would specify that the state will preserve citizens' opportunities to hunt, fish and trap.

The final amendment would expand the powers of district court commissioners.