

Supreme Court of Florida

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2008

CASE NO.: SC08-1569

Lower Tribunal No(s): 1D08-4077

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
STATE

vs. BEVERLY SLOUGH, ET AL.

Petitioner(s)

Respondent(s)

The final judgment of the circuit court is affirmed, and proposed Amendment 5¹ shall not be placed on the November 2008 general election ballot.

No motion for rehearing will be entertained.

Opinion to follow.

QUINCE, C.J., and WELLS, ANSTEAD, PARIENTE, LEWIS, CANTERO, and BELL, JJ., concur.

1. The ballot title and summary for Amendment 5 state:

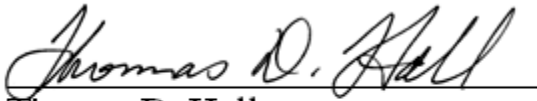
ELIMINATING STATE REQUIRED SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX AND REPLACING WITH EQUIVALENT STATE REVENUES TO FUND EDUCATION.

Replacing state required school property taxes with state revenues generating an equivalent hold harmless amount for schools through one or more of the following options: repealing sales tax exemptions not specifically excluded; increasing sales tax rate up to one percentage point; spending reductions; other revenue options created by the legislature. Limiting subject matter of laws granting future

exemptions. Limiting annual increases in assessment of non-homestead real property. Lowering property tax millage rate for schools.

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