# Question 1 Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 245 of the 2023 Legislative Session) Declaration of Rights - Right to Reproductive Freedom

The proposed amendment confirms an individual's fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including but not limited to the ability to make and effectuate decisions to prevent, continue, or end the individual's pregnancy, and provides the State may not, directly or indirectly, deny, burden, or abridge, the right unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means.

(Adding Article 48 to the Maryland Declaration of Rights)

- For the Constitutional Amendment
- Against the Constitutional Amendment

#### Question A Charter Amendment Administrative Review

To amend the Dorchester County Charter to specify that the review of administrative structure that is required at least every four years be conducted within the first fiscal year of each County Council term.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

## Question B Charter Amendment County Budget Preparation and Adoption Dates

To amend the Dorchester County Charter to change the date by which the County Council shall prepare the annual budget from May 1 to May 15 each year, and to change the date by which the Council shall adopt the annual budget from May 31 to June 15 each year.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

#### Question C Charter Amendment County Manager Residency

To amend the Dorchester County Charter to remove the requirement that the County Manager be a resident of Dorchester County.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

### Question D Charter Amendment County Manager Responsibilities

To amend the Dorchester County Charter to clarify certain responsibilities of the County Manager, including the day-to-day operation of the County government, and establish procedures for certain vacancies.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

#### Question E Charter Amendment Director of Finance Residency

To amend the Dorchester County Charter to remove the requirement that the Director of Finance be a resident of Dorchester County.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

### Question F Charter Amendment Governmental Transparency

To amend the Dorchester County Charter to ensure transparency of governmental functions, access to open meetings (in person or remotely) and access to public records.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

**End of Ballot**