

VOTE
Aug. 18



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Shall the Martin County Board of County Commissioners be authorized to grant, pursuant to s. 3 Art. VII of the State Constitution, **property tax exemptions to new businesses and expansions of existing businesses that are expected to create new, full-time jobs in Martin County?**

Yes for authority to grant exemptions
 No against authority to grant exemptions

JOBS ON THE **BALLOT**

Get the facts.



UNEMPLOYMENT RISES

-KNOWHERE NEWS, MAY 25, 2020

“Martin County saw an increase...to **11.9%**.”

-TCPALM.COM, MAY 22, 2020

WHAT YOU NEED TO **KNOW**

Economic Development Ad Valorem Tax Exemption

- **Encourages business expansion:** Eligible local or new businesses seeking to expand facilities could save start-up costs through the temporary exemption of some county taxes associated with their property improvements.
- **Requires sustainable job growth:** Eligibility for exemption includes creating 10 or more jobs in manufacturing, processing, fabricating and in target industries too.
- **Safeguards:** EVERY application for exemption considered on its merits and voted on by the Martin County Commission.
- **Demands accountability:** Recipients must provide annual reports showing they've maintained the expansion and jobs. Non-compliance could result in repaying the exempted taxes—plus interest.
- **Already in-place:** Passed by voters in August 2010, it's now up for reauthorization.
- Martin County Board of County Commissioners twice voted unanimously to put it on the ballot.

A stronger economy is everyone's business.



**Business Development
Board of Martin County**

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Referendum supported by:



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The Business Development Board of Martin County is the official economic development organization for Martin County dedicated to supporting existing business and industries, expanding entrepreneurship and fortifying the local economy.