

Senate / Referendum



The Order in Council and Writ of Election for the 2021 Alberta Senate Election was issued on June 23, 2021, to hold an election to select 3 Senate nominees who may be summoned to the Senate of Canada, to fill a vacancy or vacancies relating to Alberta.

Two Orders in Council were issued on August 9, 2021, to conduct a referendum vote on the following two questions:



- Should section 36(2) of the Constitution Act, 1982 – Parliament and the government of Canada’s commitment to the principle of making equalization payments – be removed from the constitution?
- Do you want Alberta to adopt year-round Daylight Saving Time, which is summer hours, eliminating the need to change our clocks twice a year?

The Senate Election and Referendum Vote will take place on October 18, 2021, in conjunction with the 2021 Alberta Municipal Elections.

All local jurisdictions holding elections on October 18, 2021 will facilitate the vote by also issuing the senate election and referendum vote ballot to electors. In addition to election day voting, local jurisdictions may also offer advance voting, institutional voting, and special ballot voting. At each voting opportunity, the senate election and referendum ballot will be provided to electors to vote in these elections.

As not all communities hold elections on October 18, 2021, Elections Alberta and Alberta Municipal Affairs are working with First Nation communities, Métis Settlements, Lloydminster, Summer Villages, Improvement Districts, and Special Areas to provide voting opportunities for electors residing in these communities.

Additional information is currently available for:

Electors Prospective Senate Nominees / Candidates Municipalities, First Nations, And Métis Settlements