

Referendum – a mechanism to facilitate direct citizen engagement in the legislative process.

An activity protected under Colorado State Law and the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution

C.R.S. § 1-13-111. Penalties for election offenses.

In all cases in which an offense denominated in this code has no penalty specified, the offender commits a class 2 misdemeanor.

C.R.S. § 1-40-131. Tampering with initiative of referendum petition.

Any person who willfully destroys, defaces, mutilates, or suppresses any initiative or referendum petition or who willfully neglects to file or delays the delivery of the initiative or referendum petition or who conceals or removes any initiative or referendum petition from the possession of the person authorized by law to have the custody thereof, or who adds, amends, alters, or in any way changes the information on the petition as provided by the elector, or who aids, counsels, procures, or assists any person in doing any of said acts upon conviction shall be punished as provided in section 1-13-111. The language in this section does not preclude a circulator from striking a complete line on the petition if the circulator believes the line to be invalid.

C.R.S. § 31-11-115. Tampering with initiative of referendum petition.

- (1) Any person commits a class 2 misdemeanor who:
 - (a) Willfully destroys, defaces, mutilates, or suppresses any initiative or referendum petition;
 - (b) Willfully neglects to file or delays the delivery of the initiative or referendum petition;
 - (c) Conceals or removes any initiative or referendum petition from the possession of the person authorized by law to have custody of the petition;
 - (d) Adds, amends, alters, or in any way changes the information on the petition as provided by the elector; or
 - (e) Aids, counsels, procures, or assists any person in doing any of such acts.

Protesters' Rights | ACLU Colorado You have the right to speak out in the public: You have the right to speak out on “traditional public forums” (such as streets, sidewalks, and parks) and other public property, like plazas in front of government buildings, as long as you are not blocking access to the government building or interfering with other purposes the property was designed for.