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QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Concord accept Sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act (Act), allow communities to establish a dedicated funding source, and to receive state matching funds, with which to (1) acquire, create, and preserve open space, which includes, but is not limited to, farmland, forests and marshes, and other conservation land; (2) acquire, preserve, rehabilitate, and restore historic buildings and sites; (3) create, preserve, and support affordable housing; and (4) acquire, create, and preserve land for recreational use. The dedicated funds may also be used to rehabilitate and restore open space, community housing, and recreational land acquired or created under the Act.

As approved by the 2004 Annual Town Meeting, the local funding source for Concord will be a surcharge of 1.5% on the annual property tax on real property, commencing in fiscal year 2005, which runs from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. In addition, the Act creates a state trust fund from which the Town will receive distributions in the form of matching funds that are solely available to communities that have accepted the Act. The funding source for this trust fund is the increased filing fees at the local registry of deeds and land courts.

Concord's Town Meeting has voted to include the following optional exemptions such that, if the Act is accepted, the following will be exempt from the surcharge: (1) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property; and (2) property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the Town, as defined by Section 2 of said Act. Any other taxpayer receiving an exemption on real property taxes authorized by chapter 59 of the General Laws shall receive a pro rata reduction of the surcharge.

A Community Preservation Committee composed of nine local citizens will consult with citizens and town committees and make recommendations on the use of the funds. All expenditures will be subject to a vote of Town Meeting, and will be included in the Town's annual audit.

In the Town of Concord

of 2004, thereby precluding the Town from paying a substantial accidental death benefit to Claire B. McNamara, widow of firefighter Martin H. McNamara V, and allowing the Town to pay only the minimal benefit allowable under state law; (2) make no change to the limitations imposed by Proposition 2 1/2 with regard to the amount the Town may raise by taxation; and (3) nullify Town Meeting's contingent appropriation of funds for the purchase of an annuity to pay a substantial accidental death benefit to Claire B. McNamara.

In the Town of Lancaster

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Lancaster	1,607	1,623	169	3,399
TOTALS	1,607	1,623	169	3,399

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Groton accept section 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Section 3 to 7 of chapter 44B, also known as the Community Preservation Act ("Act"), establishes a dedicated funding source to acquire, create and preserve land for recreation, open space, historic resources and housing for low and moderate income persons and families and moderate income seniors.

A Community Preservation Committee will be established by by-law to study potential uses of the funds and to make recommendations to Town Meeting on how they should be spent. All expenditures will be subject to an annual audit and all meetings of the Committee will be open to the public.

In Groton, the Act will be funded by a surcharge of 3% of the annual property tax assessed on real estate beginning in the 2006 Fiscal Year—at current rates, this would be about \$111 per year based on a single family residential property with the median valuation of \$339,741. The other source of funds would be a special state trust fund. Money from the trust fund is distributed annually to communities that have accepted the Act.

Owner occupied housing would be exempt from the surcharge when the owner qualifies for low-income housing or low or moderate senior housing. \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential property would

also be exempt. Any taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement will also receive a corresponding reduction in the Community Preservation Act surcharge. Any taxpayer receiving an exemption of real property authorized by law shall be exempt from the surcharge under the Act.

In the Town of Groton

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Groton.....	2,869	2,554	428	5,851
TOTALS.....	2,869	2,554	428	5,851

QUESTION 2

Shall the Town of Needham accept sections 3 to 7 inclusive of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

In May 2004 the Annual Town Meeting voted to accept the provisions of M.G.L. chapter 44 B, Sections 3 to 7, known as the Community Preservation Act, which establishes a special Community Preservation Fund that may be appointed and spent for certain open spaces, historic resources and affordable housing purposes; to approve a property tax surcharge of up to two (2) percent of the taxes assessed annually on all real property for fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2004, and to exempt from the surcharge the following: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by a person who would qualify for low income housing or low or moderate senior housing in the community and (2) \$100,000 of the assessed valuation of Class One residential parcels.

In the Town of Needham

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Norfolk County				
Needham.....	8,893	6,591	1,421	16,905
TOTALS.....	8,893	6,591	1,421	16,905

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Concord.....	5,347	3,724	1,134	10,205
TOTALS.....	5,347	3,724	1,134	10,205

QUESTION 1

Shall sections 280, 281, and 282 of chapter 149 of 2004, which authorized the town of Lancaster to pay a survivor benefit and extend health insurance coverage to Claire B. McNamara and her dependents' be accepted?

SUMMARY

The Act authorizes the Town, in lieu of any obligations under any other general or special law, to pay an accidental death benefit to Claire B. McNamara, the widow of fallen firefighter Martin H. McNamara V, equal to 2/3 of the average annual salary of a first-year career firefighter in the local area. The Act authorizes the Town to fund the purchase of an annuity through an "override" of the provisions of Proposition 2 1/2, so called. Proposition 2 1/2 imposes limits on the amount a town may raise by taxation. The Act allows the Town to raise through taxation, for one year only, the sum of \$650,000 in addition to the amounts permitted under Proposition 2 1/2. The Town Department of Finance and Budget estimates the tax rate will increase by approximately \$1.17 per thousand dollars of valuation for one year only. On March 22, 2004, Town Meeting voted to appropriate the \$650,000 contingent upon approval of this ballot question. Thus, approval of the question will constitute approval of the override and will ratify Town Meeting's contingent appropriation of such funds. The Act also makes Claire B. McNamara and her dependents eligible for health insurance, subject to certain conditions, provided that she bears responsibility for a retirees' percentage share for the premium for such insurance.

A YES VOTE would: (1) accept Sections 280-282 of chapter 149 of the Acts of 2004 authorizing the Town to provide a substantial accidental death benefit to Claire B. McNamara, widow of firefighter Martin H. McNamara V; (2) approve a special one-year override of the limitation imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C, Proposition 2 1/2, so called, in the amount of \$650,000 for the purchase of an annuity to pay the accidental death benefit; and (3) ratify Town Meeting's contingent appropriation of such funds.

A NO VOTE would: (1) reject Sections 280-282 of chapter 149 of the Acts

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Middleton accept Sections 3 through 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 through 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act, establish a dedicated funding source to acquire and preserve open space, parks and conservation land, protect public drinking water supplies, and scenic areas, protect farm land and forests from future development, restore and preserve historic properties, and help meet local families housing needs. In Middleton, the Community Preservation Act will be funded by an additional excise of one percent (1%) on the annual tax levy on real property and by matching funds provided by the state. EXCLUSIONS: If approved, the following would be exempt from the surcharge: the first \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property. A Community Preservation Committee composed of local citizens will make recommendations on the use of funds and all expenditures will be subject to an annual audit.

In the Town of Middleton

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Essex County				
Middleton.....	2,602	958	267	3,827
TOTALS.....	2,602	958	267	3,827

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Barnstable adopt section 298 of Chapter 149 of the Acts of 2004, as approved by the town council, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Acceptances of section 298 of Chapter of the Acts of 2004 means the Community Preservation Act shall effectively replace the Cape Cod Open Space Land Acquisition Program. There shall be no additional excise on real property levied, other than the current 3 per cent levied for the provisions of

A Community Preservation Committee will be established by Town By-Law to study community preservation resources, possibilities and needs and to make annual recommendations to Town Meeting on spending the funds. At least 10% of the funds for each fiscal year will be spent or reserved for later spending on each of the Act's three community preservation purposes: (1) open space (excluding land for recreational use), (2) historic resources and (3) affordable housing.

In the Town of Hanover

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Plymouth County				
Hanover.....	3,638	3,151	833	7,622
TOTALS.....	3,638	3,151	833	7,622

QUESTION 1

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year 2004 entitled 'An Act providing for a charter for the Town of Dudley' be accepted?

SUMMARY

If adopted the proposed charter would: Retain the open town meeting; provide for the election by the voters of a five member Board of Selectmen, a Moderator for three years, a Town Clerk, a Library Board of Trustees, a School Committee, a Housing Authority; eliminate the office of Town Administrator and replace it with a Town Manager who shall be responsible for the management of the town's business and for the appointment of a Board of Health, a Cable Advisory Committee, a Capital Improvement Committee, a Civil Defense Coordinator, a Fence Viewer, a Hazardous Waste Coordinator, a Planning Board, a Personnel Advisory Committee and advisory committees to replace several boards currently elected; the Town Manager would appoint most of the employees of the town government; the Board of Selectmen will appoint the Constables, Veterans' Agent and some other officers they currently appoint; the Moderator would appoint Zoning Board of Appeals; a Department of Public Works covering such functions as highways, cemeteries, animal control, recreation, recycling; tree warden, sewer and water, would be established under the direction of the Town Manager and run by a Department Director.

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the Cape Cod Open Space Land Acquisition Program. Acceptance of this section shall allow the community to access state matching funds of up to 100 per cent of the excise on real property currently levied, which was previously unavailable to the town.
In the Town of Barnstable

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Barnstable	17,597	4,931	3,026	25,554
TOTALS	17,597	4,931	3,026	25,554

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Hanover accept sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as proposed by a petition signed by at least five percent (5%) of the registered voters of the Town of Hanover, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act establishes a dedicated funding source to cities and towns to (1) acquire open space, which includes land for park and recreational uses and the protection of public drinking water well fields, aquifers and recharge areas, wetlands, farm land, forests, marshes, beaches, scenic areas, wildlife preserves and other conservation areas, (2) acquire and restore historic buildings and sites, and (3) create affordable housing.

In the Town of Hanover, Massachusetts, the funding source for these community preservation purposes will be a surcharge of 3% on the annual property tax assessed on real property and annual distributions made by the state from a trust fund created by the Act. If approved, the following will be exempt from the surcharge: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by any persons who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the Town of Hanover, as defined in Section 2 of said Act; (2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property. A taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption will also receive a pro rata reduction in surcharge.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Dudley	1,896	2,738	225	4,859
TOTALS	1,896	2,738	225	4,859

QUESTION 1

A. Shall licenses be granted in the Town of Carlisle for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?
In the Town of Carlisle

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Carlisle	1,026	2,000	118	3,144
TOTALS	1,026	2,000	118	3,144

B. Shall licenses be granted in the Town of Carlisle for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer; ale and all other malt beverages)?

In the Town of Carlisle

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Carlisle	1,767	1,286	91	3,144
TOTALS	1,767	1,286	91	3,144

Shall the Town of Wilbraham accept sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as proposed by a petition signed by at least five percent (5%) of the registered voters of the Town of Wilbraham, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act, established as a dedicated source to acquire and preserve open space, parks, and conservation land, protect public drinking water supplies and scenic areas, protect farmland and forests from future development, restore and preserve historic properties, and help meet local families' housing needs.

In Wilbraham, the Community Preservation Act will be funded by a surcharge of 1.5% on the annual property tax assessed on real property and by matching funds from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts distributed on an annual basis in the 2005 Fiscal Year from a state trust fund established pursuant to the Community Preservation Act.

The following abatements or exemptions shall be permitted:

- 1) Property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or moderate income senior housing in the Town of Wilbraham, as defined in Section 2 of the Community Preservation Act;
- 2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property; and
- 3) Any other abatements or exemptions allowed by local and state law.

Any other taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption would receive a corresponding full or partial reduction in the surcharge.

A Community Preservation Committee which has been established by annual town meeting and local bylaw would study community preservation resources, possibilities, and needs to make recommendations to town meeting on spending the funds. At least 10% of the funds for each Fiscal Year will be spent or reserved for later spending on open space, historic resources, and affordable housing.

In the Town of Wilbraham

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Hampden County				
Wilbraham.....	4,399	3,111	730	8,240
TOTALS.....	4,399	3,111	730	8,240

E. Shall licenses be granted in Harvard for the sale therein of alcoholic beverages by restaurants and function rooms having a seating capacity of not less than one hundred persons?

In the Town of Harvard

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Harvard.....	2,487	839	79	3,405
TOTALS.....	2,487	839	79	3,405

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Northborough accept sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as proposed by a petition signed by at least five percent (5%) of the registered voters of the Town of Northborough, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act, establish a dedicated source to acquire and preserve open space, parks, and conservation land, protect public drinking water supplies and scenic areas, protect farmland and forests from future development, restore and preserve historic properties, and help meet local families' housing needs. In Northborough, the Community Preservation Act will be funded by an additional surcharge of 1.5% on the annual property tax assessed on real property beginning in the 2006 Fiscal Year, and by matching funds provided by the state. The following exemptions shall be permitted:

1) Property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low-income housing or low or moderate-income senior housing in the Town, as defined in Section 2 of said Act;

2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property. Any other taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption will also receive a corresponding full or partial reduction in the surcharge. A Community Preservation Committee will be established by local bylaw to study community preservation resources, possibilities, and needs and to make recommendation to Town Meeting on spending the funds. At least 10% of the funds for each fiscal year will be spent or reserved for later spending on each of the Act's three community preservation purposes: open space, historic resources, and affordable housing.

In the Town of Northborough

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Northborough	4,450	2,766	531	7,747
TOTALS	4,450	2,766	531	7,747

QUESTION 1 OR 2
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote for legislation to create a strong presumption in child custody cases in favor of joint physical and legal custody, so that the court will order that the children have equal access to both parents as much as possible, except where there is clear and convincing evidence that one parent is unfit, or that joint custody is not possible due to the fault of one of the parents?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
First Berkshire District				
Adams.....	2,944	600	529	4,073
Charlemont.....	542	78	52	672
Clarksburg.....	623	161	93	877
Florida.....	285	67	53	405
Hawley.....	158	22	15	195
Heath.....	316	72	46	434
Monroe.....	42	7	13	62
NORTH ADAMS.....	4,191	833	996	6,020
Rowe.....	180	54	19	253
Savoy.....	267	51	24	342
Williamstown.....	2,458	733	575	3,766
TOTALS.....	12,006	2,678	2,415	17,099

Second Berkshire District

Ashfield.....	832	161	111	1,104
Becket.....	543	108	197	848
Barnardston.....	899	146	191	1,236
Buckland.....	742	134	160	1,036
Cheshire.....	1,324	305	202	1,831
Colrain.....	668	113	95	876
Cummington.....	402	86	61	549
Dutton.....	2,249	647	636	3,532
Hancock.....	277	51	399	1,072
Hinsdale.....	782	176	114	1,072
Lanesborough.....	1,085	298	242	1,625
Levden.....	356	62	44	462
Middlefield.....	223	49	30	302
New Ashford.....	111	25	12	148
Northfield.....	1,264	279	198	1,741

QUESTION 1, 2 OR 3
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote for legislation requiring that in all separation and divorce proceedings involving minor children, the court shall uphold the fundamental rights of both parents to the shared physical and legal custody of their children and the children's rights to maximize their time with each parent, so far as is practical, unless one parent is found unfit or the parents agree otherwise, subject to the requirements of existing child support and abuse prevention laws?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Fourth Bristol District				
Norton.....	1,351	188	327	1,866
Rehoboth.....	4,272	578	829	5,679
Seekonk.....	5,231	767	1,142	7,140
Swansea.....	4,997	711	1,017	6,725
TOTALS.....	15,851	2,244	3,315	21,410
Fifth Bristol District				
Dighton.....	2,488	318	467	3,273
Somerset.....	7,428	1,119	1,620	10,167
Swansea.....	1,235	172	277	1,684
TAUNTON.....	3,089	358	1,397	4,844
TOTALS.....	14,240	1,967	3,761	19,968
Sixth Essex District				
BEVERLY.....	15,009	2,589	2,079	19,677
TOTALS.....	15,009	2,589	2,079	19,677
Seventh Essex District				
SALEM.....	13,081	2,547	2,512	18,140
TOTALS.....	13,081	2,547	2,512	18,140
Thirteenth Essex District				
Danvers.....	10,375	1,728	1,234	13,337
PEABODY.....	3,363	616	491	4,470
Topsfield.....	2,914	457	362	3,733
TOTALS.....	16,652	2,801	2,087	21,540

Fourteenth Essex District			
LAWRENCE.....	3,910	497	1,397
North Andover.....	7,473	1,057	1,465
TOTALS.....	11,383	1,554	2,862
15,799			

Seventeenth Essex District			
Andover.....	8,569	1,178	1,563
LAWRENCE.....	2,391	278	781
Tewksbury.....	3,035	379	579
TOTALS.....	13,995	1,835	2,923
18,753			

First Franklin District			
Belchertown.....	2,286	385	538
Chesterfield.....	474	95	104
Conway.....	872	173	149
Deerfield.....	2,227	405	394
Goshen.....	408	86	84
Huntington.....	484	336	246
Leverett.....	788	191	190
Montague.....	2,986	624	588
New Salem.....	428	79	590
Pelham.....	567	140	157
Shutesbury.....	794	189	189
Sunderland.....	1,226	249	278
Wendell.....	370	90	74
Whately.....	663	127	145
Williamsburg.....	1,136	202	247
Worthington.....	547	117	123
TOTALS.....	16,256	3,488	3,589
23,333			

Second Franklin District			
Athol.....	3,479	742	436
Erving.....	585	90	106
Gill.....	676	143	95
Greenfield.....	6,296	1,140	1,131
Orange.....	2,449	342	389
Warwick.....	277	68	53
TOTALS.....	13,762	2,525	2,210
18,497			

Peru.....	289	67	50	406
PITTSFIELD.....	1,100	361	214	1,675
Plainfield.....	672	62	36	374
Richmond.....	276	227	101	1,000
Shelburne.....	879	136	144	1,159
Washington.....	217	78	26	321
Windsor.....	368	106	56	530
TOTALS.....	15,558	3,697	2,971	22,226

Third Berkshire District				
PITTSFIELD	11,215	3,926	2,359	17,500
TOTALS.....	11,215	3,926	2,359	17,500

Fourth Berkshire District				
Alford.....	207	53	43	303
Blandford.....	515	76	78	669
Chester.....	520	74	72	666
Egremont.....	568	161	83	812
Great Barrington	2,469	714	572	3,755
Lee.....	2,020	592	447	3,059
Lenox.....	1,968	661	461	3,090
Monterey.....	373	114	59	546
Mount Washington.....	95	9	4	108
New Marlborough.....	612	141	75	828

Otis.....	548	111	94	755
PITTSFIELD.....	898	284	210	1,392
Sandisfield.....	290	68	60	418
Sheffield.....	1,276	309	237	1,828
Stockbridge.....	783	340	243	1,260
Tolland.....	177	20	41	238
Tyringham.....	161	63	42	266
West Stockbridge.....	592	187	127	906
TOTALS.....	14,072	3,877	2,948	20,897

**QUESTION 1, 2 OR 3
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING (cont.)**

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
First Hampden District				
Brimfield	1,420	198	227	1,845
Holland	361	113	193	1,167
Palmer	4,272	607	1,202	6,081
Sturbridge	3,558	449	676	4,683
Wales	674	103	119	896
Ware	2,248	284	565	3,097
Warren	1,641	227	324	2,192
TOTALS	14,674	1,981	3,306	19,961
Third Hampden District				
Agawam	9,942	1,342	2,747	14,031
Granville	639	96	104	839
Russell	589	103	100	792
Southwick	3,361	449	699	4,509
TOTALS	14,531	1,990	3,650	20,171
Ninth Hampden District				
CHICOPEE	841	103	225	1,169
SPRINGFIELD	8,155	1,092	3,831	13,078
TOTALS	8,996	1,195	4,056	14,247
Second Hampshire District				
Easthampton	6,035	1,214	1,086	8,335
Hadley	2,137	455	493	3,085
South Hadley	6,458	850	1,326	8,634
TOTALS	14,630	2,519	2,905	20,054
First Middlesex District				
Ayer	2,307	313	365	2,985
Dunstable	1,445	173	139	1,757
Groton	4,257	826	768	5,851
Pepperell	4,621	543	753	5,917
Townsend	3,595	526	557	4,678
TOTALS	16,225	2,381	2,582	21,188

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Fifth Norfolk District				
Braintree	12,119	1,651	4,491	18,261
Holbrook	907	115	327	1,349
Randolph	982	131	498	1,611
TOTALS	14,008	1,897	5,316	21,221
Twelfth Norfolk District				
Norwood	8,828	1,149	4,039	14,016
Walpole	4,961	674	966	6,601
TOTALS	13,789	1,823	5,005	20,617
Fourteenth Norfolk District				
Natick	1,498	226	392	2,116
Wellesley	9,676	2,423	2,122	14,221
Weston	4,579	861	908	6,348
TOTALS	15,753	3,510	3,422	22,685
Second Suffolk District				
BOSTON	4,417	647	2,128	7,192
CHELSEA	2,611	352	1,886	4,849
TOTALS	7,028	999	4,014	12,041
Third Suffolk District				
BOSTON	9,098	1,181	5,380	15,659
TOTALS	9,098	1,181	5,380	15,659
Nineteenth Suffolk District				
REVERE	2,915	439	2,839	6,193
Winthrop	5,546	835	2,563	8,944
TOTALS	8,461	1,274	5,402	15,137

Fourth Middlesex District			
Berlin.....	1,200	194	1,573
MARLBOROUGH.....	11,347	1,505	15,633
Southborough.....	1,535	206	1,989
TOTALS.....	14,082	1,905	19,195
Fifth Middlesex District			
Millis.....	2,233	341	3,092
Natick.....	10,863	1,482	15,207
Sherborn.....	1,933	335	2,664
TOTALS.....	15,029	2,158	20,963
Twentieth Middlesex District			
Lynnfield.....	3,758	455	5,170
Middleton.....	1,634	308	2,224
North Reading.....	5,418	718	7,912
Reading.....	5,523	836	8,392
TOTALS.....	16,333	2,317	23,698
Twenty-Second Middlesex District			
Billerica.....	14,188	1,721	18,222
TOTALS.....	14,188	1,721	18,222
Twenty-Third Middlesex District			
Arlington.....	12,732	2,288	18,178
MEDFORD.....	3,975	713	5,882
TOTALS.....	16,707	3,001	24,060
Thirty-First Middlesex District			
Stoneham.....	6,283	819	9,927
Winchester.....	7,968	1,305	12,161
TOTALS.....	14,251	2,124	22,088
Thirty-Second Middlesex District			
MELROSE.....	10,093	1,562	15,268
Wakefield.....	5,224	611	7,906
TOTALS.....	15,317	2,173	23,174

Sixth Worcester District			
Charlton.....	4,622	644	434
East Brookfield.....	860	118	122
Oxford.....	1,230	149	121
Southbridge.....	4,829	649	1,099
Spencer.....	2,263	269	241
TOTALS.....	13,804	1,829	2,017
Eleventh Worcester District			
Shrewsbury.....	12,145	1,707	2,731
Westborough.....	2,478	357	553
TOTALS.....	14,623	2,064	3,284
Twelfth Worcester District			
Boylston.....	1,973	274	220
Clinton.....	4,570	658	794
Lancaster.....	1,518	257	277
Northborough.....	5,816	1,107	824
Sterling.....	1,868	239	212
TOTALS.....	15,845	2,535	2,327
Seventeenth Worcester District			
Leicester.....	3,881	565	722
WORCESTER.....	7,166	423	693
TOTALS.....	11,047	988	1,415

QUESTION 1 OR 2
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state senator from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation requiring that in all separation and divorce proceedings involving minor children, the court shall uphold the fundamental rights of both parents to the shared physical and legal custody of their children and the children's right to maximize their time with each parent, so far as is practical, unless one parent is found unfit or the parents agree otherwise, subject to the requirements of existing child support and abuse prevention laws?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Second Hampden & Hampshire District				
Blandford.....	492	84	93	669
Chester.....	515	68	83	666
CHICOPEE.....	11,275	1,563	2,882	15,720
Easthampton.....	6,205	1,275	855	8,335
Granville.....	609	96	134	839
HOLYOKE.....	10,094	1,442	3,274	14,810
Montgomery.....	363	46	62	471
Russell.....	558	108	126	792
Southampton.....	2,472	354	356	3,182
Southwick.....	3,134	448	927	4,509
Tolland.....	171	23	44	238
WESTFIELD.....	12,325	1,730	2,929	16,984
TOTALS.....	48,213	7,237	11,765	67,215

QUESTION 1 OR 2
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state senator from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation that would allow seriously ill patients, with their doctor's written recommendation, to possess and grow small amounts of marijuana for their personal medical use?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester & Norfolk District				
Bellingham.....	5,213	2,074	595	7,882
Blackstone.....	2,627	1,201	253	4,081
Douglas.....	2,690	1,031	248	3,969
Dudley.....	2,877	1,628	354	4,859
Hopedale.....	2,071	920	290	3,281
Mendon.....	2,004	867	179	3,050
Milford.....	7,396	3,200	1,366	11,962
Millville.....	928	407	89	1,424
Northbridge.....	4,187	2,141	565	6,893
Oxford.....	3,962	1,752	484	6,198
Southbridge.....	3,647	1,975	955	6,577
Sutton.....	3,000	1,422	361	4,783
Uxbridge.....	4,172	1,964	495	6,631
Webster.....	3,965	2,029	508	6,502
TOTALS.....	48,739	22,611	6,742	78,092

QUESTION 1, 2 OR 3
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation that would allow seriously ill patients, with their doctor's written recommendation, to possess and grow small amounts of marijuana for their personal medical use?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Third Berkshire District				
PITTSFIELD	10,909	4,173	2,418	17,500
TOTALS	10,909	4,173	2,418	17,500
Twenty-Fourth Middlesex District				
Arlington	1,588	479	165	2,232
Belmont	9,389	3,182	949	13,520
CAMBRIDGE	3,574	1,044	797	5,415
TOTALS	14,551	4,705	1,911	21,167
Sixth Norfolk District				
Avon	1,319	578	556	2,453
Canton	6,408	2,618	2,481	11,507
Stoughton	3,064	1,310	1,525	5,899
TOTALS	10,791	4,506	4,562	19,859
Seventh Plymouth District				
Abington	5,103	2,077	551	7,731
East Bridgewater	4,208	1,862	526	6,596
Whitman	4,473	1,963	465	6,901
TOTALS	13,784	5,902	1,542	21,228

QUESTION 1 OR 2
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of a constitutional amendment that would remove the authority to create congressional and legislative districts from the state Legislature and instead place that responsibility in the hands of an independent commission, subject to strict guidelines for public participation, non-partisanship, retaining the integrity of existing communities, and respecting the voting rights of minorities?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
First Barnstable District				
Brewster	3,327	1,958	1,404	6,689
Dennis	4,734	3,176	1,858	9,768
Yarmouth	4,388	2,832	1,929	9,149
TOTALS	12,449	7,966	5,191	25,606
Tenth Bristol District				
Fairhaven	3,760	2,548	1,886	8,194
Marion	1,609	955	511	3,075
Mattapoisett	2,018	1,108	784	3,910
Middleborough	1,295	1,029	912	3,236
Rochester	1,307	939	569	2,815
TOTALS	9,989	6,579	4,662	21,230
Seventh Essex District				
SALEM	9,270	5,437	3,433	18,140
TOTALS	9,270	5,437	3,433	18,140
Third Hampshire District				
Amherst	6,933	2,238	2,421	11,592
Granby	1,379	1,149	816	3,344
TOTALS	8,312	3,387	3,237	14,936
Ninth Middlesex District				
Lexington	3,700	1,115	1,050	5,865
WALTHAM	5,974	3,539	4,224	13,737
TOTALS	9,674	4,654	5,274	19,602

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Eleventh Middlesex District				
NEWTON	11,318	4,274	4,441	20,033
TOTALS.....	11,318	4,274	4,441	20,033
Twelfth Middlesex District				
NEWTON	10,917	3,779	4,298	18,994
TOTALS.....	10,917	3,779	4,298	18,994
Thirteenth Middlesex District				
Lincoln	2,107	737	581	3,425
Sudbury	5,227	2,092	1,920	9,894
Wayland	4,017	2,092	1,792	7,901
TOTALS.....	11,351	5,576	4,293	21,220
Fifteenth Middlesex District				
Arlington	2,526	1,019	850	4,395
Lexington	7,043	2,323	2,236	11,602
WOBURN	2,488	1,589	1,588	5,665
TOTALS.....	12,057	4,931	4,674	21,662
Twenty-Third Middlesex District				
Arlington	9,805	4,985	3,388	18,178
MEDFORD	2,812	1,677	1,393	5,882
TOTALS.....	12,617	6,662	4,781	24,060
Twenty-Fifth Middlesex District				
CAMBRIDGE	10,113	2,995	3,539	16,647
TOTALS.....	10,113	2,995	3,539	16,647
Twenty-Sixth Middlesex District				
CAMBRIDGE	4,344	1,898	2,217	8,459
SOMERVILLE	2,640	1,396	1,760	5,796
TOTALS.....	6,984	3,294	3,977	14,255

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation to allow a woman, or someone acting on her behalf, to surrender a newborn who is seven days old or younger, and who has not been physically abused, to a worker at a hospital, a safety officer at a 24-hour police or fire station, or an emergency medical responder at an agreed-upon location following a 911 call? Under the legislation, the woman and her representative would be immune from prosecution, remain anonymous if desired, not be obligated to give any identifying information, and be asked only to receive an optional medical history form to complete and return. The legislation would not contain any termination date or any state funding requirement.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Ninth Middlesex District				
Lexington	4,507	554	804	5,865
WALTHAM	8,696	1,853	3,188	13,737
TOTALS.....	13,203	2,407	3,992	19,602
Fifteenth Middlesex District				
Arlington	3,231	584	580	4,395
Lexington	8,898	1,178	1,526	11,602
WOBURN	3,804	748	1,113	5,665
TOTALS.....	15,933	2,510	3,219	21,662
Twenty-Third Middlesex District				
Arlington	12,772	2,637	2,769	18,178
MEDFORD	3,929	793	1,160	5,882
TOTALS.....	16,701	3,430	3,929	24,060
Twenty-Fourth Middlesex District				
Arlington	1,658	328	246	2,232
Belmont	10,204	1,881	1,435	13,520
CAMBRIDGE	3,729	780	906	5,415
TOTALS.....	15,591	2,989	2,587	21,167

Thirteenth Norfolk District

Dover.....	1,835	931	597	3,363
Medfield.....	1,769	952	744	3,465
Needham.....	8,595	4,795	3,515	16,905
TOTALS.....	12,199	6,678	4,856	23,733

Eighth Suffolk District

BOSTON.....	6,259	2,737	2,649	11,645
CAMBRIDGE.....	3,696	1,109	1,303	6,108
TOTALS.....	9,955	3,846	3,952	17,753

Thirteenth Worcester District

Paxton.....	1,112	860	520	2,492
WORCESTER.....	7,507	4,399	3,456	15,362
TOTALS.....	8,619	5,259	3,976	17,854

Seventh Plymouth District

Abington.....	6,000	1,081	650	7,731
East Bridgewater.....	4,998	967	631	6,596
Whitman.....	5,413	951	537	6,901
TOTALS.....	16,411	2,999	1,818	21,228

QUESTION 1

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state senator from this district be instructed to introduce and vote in favor of legislation making possession of marijuana a civil violation, like a traffic ticket instead of a criminal offense, and requiring police to hold a person under 18 cited for possession until the person is released to a parent or legal guardian or brought before a judge?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Second Essex District				
BEVERLY	11,781	6,348	1,548	19,677
Danvers	7,543	4,868	926	13,337
PEABODY	13,650	8,674	2,855	25,179
SALEM	10,855	5,373	1,912	18,140
Topsfield	2,127	1,349	257	3,733
TOTALS.....	45,956	26,612	7,498	80,066

Third Essex & Middlesex District

LYNN	16,513	8,419	3,204	28,136
Marblehead	6,867	4,234	1,011	12,112
MELROSE	2,337	1,351	548	4,236
Nahant	1,425	585	249	2,259
Saugus	4,512	2,949	2,281	9,742
Swampscott	4,851	2,214	982	8,047
TOTALS.....	36,505	19,752	8,275	64,532

QUESTION 1, 2, 3 OR 4

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of: (1) a resolution asserting that the campaign against terrorism should not be waged at the expense of constitutionally protected civil rights and liberties of Massachusetts residents; (2) legislation barring the use of state resources or institutions to carry out actions that violate constitutional rights, or actions such as racial and religious profiling, conducting secret investigations without reasonable grounds, and maintaining files on individuals and organizations without reasonable suspicion of criminal conduct; and (3) a resolution urging the Massachusetts Congressional delegation to vote to repeal provisions in the federal USA PATRIOT Act and other laws that infringe on civil rights and liberties and to oppose any future legislation that infringes on civil rights and liberties?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Third Berkshire District				
PITTSFIELD	9,944	4,278	3,278	17,500
TOTALS.....	9,944	4,278	3,278	17,500

Fourth Berkshire District

Alford	195	63	45	303
Blandford	365	190	114	669
Chester	364	195	107	666
Egremont	543	171	98	812
Great Barrington	2,439	672	644	3,755
Lee	1,800	665	594	3,059
Lenox	1,875	658	557	3,090
Monterey	402	94	50	546
Mount Washington	75	27	6	108
New Marlborough	557	173	98	828
Otis	423	210	120	753
PITTSFIELD	767	337	288	1,392
Sandisfield	250	97	71	418
Sheffield	1,142	385	301	1,828
Stockbridge	826	216	218	1,260
Tolland	114	64	60	238
Tyringham	141	64	61	266
West Stockbridge	571	173	162	906
TOTALS.....	12,849	4,454	3,594	20,897

First Hampshire District

Hatfield.....	1,124	650	319	2,093
Montgomery.....	233	152	86	471
NORTHAMPTON	10,565	2,932	1,998	15,495
Southampton	1,606	1,116	460	3,182
Westhampton	560	330	117	1,007
TOTALS.....	14,088	5,180	2,980	22,248

Third Hampshire District

Amherst.....	8,159	1,768	1,665	11,592
Granby	1,516	1,129	699	3,344
TOTALS.....	9,675	2,897	2,364	14,936

Fifteenth Middlesex District

Arlington.....	2,676	1,023	696	4,395
Lexington.....	6,673	2,992	1,937	11,602
WOBURN	2,248	1,897	1,520	5,665
TOTALS.....	11,597	5,912	4,153	21,662

Twenty-Fourth Middlesex District

Arlington.....	1,335	592	305	2,232
Belmont.....	7,848	3,983	1,689	13,520
CAMBRIDGE	3,501	899	1,015	5,415
TOTALS.....	12,684	5,474	3,009	21,167

Twenty-Fifth Middlesex District

CAMBRIDGE	11,725	2,405	2,517	16,647
TOTALS.....	11,725	2,405	2,517	16,647

Twenty-Ninth Middlesex District

CAMBRIDGE	3,463	931	993	5,387
Watertown	7,636	4,166	2,375	14,177
TOTALS.....	11,099	5,097	3,368	19,564

Fifteenth Norfolk District

Brookline.....	11,249	3,064	3,717	18,030
TOTALS.....	11,249	3,064	3,717	18,030

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Tenth Norfolk District				
Franklin.....	8,589	5,997	894	15,480
Medway.....	2,979	1,628	366	4,973
TOTALS.....	11,568	7,625	1,260	20,453