



Votes on Question No. 5 — Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

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COUNTIES	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
BARNSTABLE	22462	47911	3940	74313
BERKSHIRE	14014	50603	5312	69929
BRISTOL	48246	127684	19275	195205
DUKES	1940	2837	445	5222
ESSEX	88113	199462	20089	307664
FRANKLIN	5981	24311	1377	31669
HAMPDEN	36391	138876	13153	188420
HAMPSHIRE	16438	41894	2633	60965
MIDDLESEX	228196	388766	37594	654556
NANTUCKET	799	1707	157	2663
NORFOLK	103217	190053	14619	307889
PLYMOUTH	42720	117024	8092	167836
SUFFOLK	79141	124322	35051	238514
WORCESTER	55356	214495	19566	289417
TOTALS	743014	1669945	181303	2594262

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In the County of Barnstable

Barnstable	4382	9581	663	14626
Bourne	1140	3589	358	5087
Brewster	890	1657	89	2636
Chatham	1349	2507	145	4001
Dennis	1968	4269	339	6576
Eastham	543	1314	70	1927
Falmouth	3599	7343	504	11446
Harwich	1631	3267	207	5105
Mashpee	576	1123	105	1804
Orleans	1053	1859	151	3063
Provincetown	850	1116	185	2151
Sandwich	875	2662	90	3627
Truro	296	451	38	785
Wellfleet	495	865	67	1427
Yarmouth	2815	6308	929	10052
Totals	22462	47911	3940	74313

In the County of Berkshire

Adams	833	4495	422	5750
Alford	53	162	11	226
Becket	73	373	44	490
Cheshire	157	1412	56	1625
Clarksburg	95	755	42	892
Dalton	609	2826	130	3565
Egremont	123	493	27	643
Florida	26	336	11	373
Great Barrington	572	2244	421	3237
Hancock	57	269	13	339
Hinsdale	106	628	23	757
Lanesborough	185	1100	86	1371
Lee	456	2109	181	2746
Lenox	678	2079	205	2962
Monterey	166	234	15	415
Mount Washington	8	50	—	58
New Ashford	16	84	4	104
New Marlborough	106	392	32	530
NORTH ADAMS	1626	5725	701	8052
Otis	56	369	18	443
Peru	28	226	—	254
PITTSFIELD	5333	17925	2463	25721
Richmond	186	660	11	857
Sandisfield	57	215	29	301
Savoy	21	180	10	211
Sheffield	278	987	57	1322
Stockbridge	487	884	63	1434

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In the County of Berkshire — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Tyringham	33	145	8	186
Washington	18	212	9	239
West Stockbridge	149	544	32	725
Williamstown	1372	2252	176	3800
Windsor	51	238	12	301
Totals	14014	50603	5312	69929

In the County of Bristol

Acushnet	713	3465	266	4444
ATTLEBORO	3428	8445	817	12690
Berkley	164	768	64	996
Dartmouth	2362	7005	684	10051
Dighton	438	1810	139	2387
Easton	1898	4916	214	7028
Fairhaven	1493	4875	837	7205
FALL RIVER	10479	20948	6412	37839
Freetown	430	1874	88	2392
Mansfield	1382	3908	206	5496
NEW BEDFORD	8725	25366	4271	38362
No. Attleborough	2005	5739	611	8355
Norton	1122	3075	186	4383
Raynham	863	2761	129	3753
Rehoboth	766	2222	187	3175
Seekonk	1856	3245	484	5585
Somerset	2848	6088	730	9666
Swansea	1852	4560	543	6955
TAUNTON	4132	12275	2000	18407
Westport	1290	4339	407	6036
Totals	48246	127684	19275	195205

In the County of Dukes

Chilmark	157	200	16	373
Edgartown	453	781	122	1356
Gay Head	50	57	16	123
Gosnold	19	53	2	74
Oak Bluffs	370	663	132	1165
Tisbury	618	813	124	1555
West Tisbury	273	270	33	576
Totals	1940	2837	445	5222

In the County of Essex

Amesbury	1260	3566	602	5428
Andover	5137	7734	428	13299
BEVERLY	5552	12652	1110	19314
Boxford	765	1716	42	2523
Danvers	3222	8381	429	12032
Essex	425	1118	63	1606
Georgetown	568	2124	92	2784
GLOUCESTER	3643	8224	1119	12986
Groveland	527	1865	69	2461
Hamilton	1113	2358	103	3574
HAVERHILL	5213	13467	1711	20391
Ipswich	1706	3980	291	5977
LAWRENCE	7150	16418	2912	26480
LYNN	9579	23260	3404	36243
Lynnfield	2186	4185	174	6545
Manchester	1075	1914	113	3102
Marblehead	5205	7245	418	12868
Merrimac	409	1489	82	1980
Methuen	4572	12125	1218	17915
Middleton	386	1425	83	1894
Nahant	787	1385	90	2262
Newbury	571	1680	74	2325

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In the County of Essex — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
NEWBURYPORT	2127	5149	579	7855
North Andover	3161	5859	441	9461
PEABODY	6075	15103	1356	22534
Rockport	1296	2278	253	3827
Rowley	348	1268	73	1689
SALEM	5030	12781	1354	19165
Salisbury	493	1836	200	2529
Saugus	3392	8542	572	12506
Swampscott	3064	4189	476	7729
Topsfield	971	1970	60	3001
Wenham	687	1244	49	1980
West Newbury	418	932	49	1399
Totals	88113	199462	20089	307664

In the County of Franklin

Ashfield	155	597	21	773
Barnardston	112	764	28	904
Buckland	194	769	41	1004
Charlmont	70	420	20	510
Colrain	73	676	23	772
Conway	187	500	23	710
Deerfield	443	1751	61	2255
Erving	75	587	34	696
Gill	136	510	22	668
Greenfield	1759	6668	500	8927
Hawley	26	95	4	125
Heath	53	176	11	240
Leverett	251	436	17	704
Leyden	31	199	5	235
Monroe	14	79	4	97
Montague	690	3470	202	4362
New Salem	70	274	11	355
Northfield	281	1029	53	1363
Orange	309	2289	130	2728
Rowe	30	179	9	218
Shelburne	146	765	36	947
Shutesbury	178	279	16	473
Sunderland	409	833	46	1288
Warwick	73	213	13	299
Wendell	90	223	16	329
Whately	126	530	31	687
Totals	5981	24311	1377	31669

In the County of Hampden

Agawam	1954	7763	802	10519
Blandford	75	443	7	525
Brimfield	170	866	35	1071
Chester	65	460	18	543
CHICOPEE	4302	20722	1526	26550
East Longmeadow	1338	5201	267	6806
Granville	60	537	17	614
Hampden	410	1639	43	2092
Holland	81	566	21	668
HOLYOKE	3634	14546	1472	19652
Longmeadow	3106	5595	246	8947
Ludlow	1171	6991	394	8556
Monson	428	2574	103	3105
Montgomery	32	255	11	298
Palmer	835	4581	272	5688
Russell	66	614	26	706
Southwick	322	2638	75	3035
SPRINGFIELD	12305	35330	6647	54282
Tolland	18	134	3	155
Wales	60	396	12	468
West Springfield	2366	9795	345	12506
WESTFIELD	2229	12525	448	15202
Wilbraham	1364	4705	363	6432
Totals	36391	138876	13153	188420

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In the County of Hampshire

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Amherst	6217	4579	346	11142
Belchertown	547	2086	86	2719
Chesterfield	63	328	13	404
Cummington	79	311	13	403
Easthampton	1132	5796	366	7294
Goshen	41	232	18	291
Granby	435	1922	144	2501
Hadley	540	1612	141	2293
Hatfield	236	1326	94	1656
Huntington	93	685	20	798
Middlefield	25	156	—	181
NORTHAMPTON	3943	9062	735	13740
Pelham	213	355	11	579
Plainfield	38	141	6	185
South Hadley	1710	6314	315	8339
Southampton	228	1559	38	1825
Ware	502	3733	223	4458
Weshampton	65	433	5	503
Williamsburg	243	899	44	1186
Worthington	88	365	15	468
Totals	16438	41894	2633	60965

In the County of Middlesex

Acton	3202	5274	146	8622
Arlington	10036	16968	1208	28212
Ashby	158	897	47	1102
Ashland	885	3141	166	4192
Ayer	485	1637	86	2208
Bedford	2145	3528	307	5980
Belmont	6814	8863	746	16423
Billerica	3325	10132	365	13822
Boxborough	391	797	23	1211
Burlington	3284	6950	367	10601
CAMBRIDGE	23559	16821	2850	43230
Carlisle	711	987	21	1719
Chelmsford	4319	10907	371	15597
Concord	3995	4541	335	8871
Dracut	2042	7345	553	9940
Dunstable	145	575	29	749
EVERETT	4691	11247	2358	18296
Frammingham	10489	18656	1290	30435
Groton	665	1907	66	2638
Holliston	1611	4267	128	6006
Hopkinton	679	2429	93	3201
Hudson	1612	4966	389	6967
Lexington	8239	8025	867	17131
Lincoln	1532	1260	76	2868
Littleton	920	2309	94	3323
LOWELL	9633	24855	3008	37496
MALDEN	7961	15817	1819	25597
MARLBOROUGH	3465	9457	607	13529
Maynard	1091	3271	280	4642
MEDFORD	9682	17552	2355	29589
MELROSE	5552	9261	1198	16011
Natick	4988	9277	678	14943
NEWTON	24403	19249	2170	45822
North Reading	1479	4018	116	5613
Pepperell	537	2227	117	2881
Reading	4149	7627	354	12130
Sherborn	824	1331	21	2176
Shirley	259	1337	57	1653
SOMERVILLE	11194	17865	2845	31904
Stoneham	3517	6663	502	10682
Stow	633	1628	36	2297
Sudbury	3115	4097	142	7354
Tewksbury	2546	7406	297	10249
Townsend	349	1985	58	2392

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Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Tyngsborough	389	1802	101	2292
Wakefield	3803	8974	575	13352
WALTHAM	7626	13765	2725	24116
Watertown	7262	10065	1678	19005
Wayland	3159	3763	169	7091
Westford	1239	4673	136	6048
Weston	2931	3171	133	6235
Wilmington	1820	5158	488	7466
Winchester	4092	6602	682	11376
WOBURN	4564	11441	1266	17271
Totals	228196	388766	37594	654556

In the County of Nantucket

Nantucket	799	1707	157	2663
Totals	799	1707	157	2663

In the County of Norfolk

Avon	572	1840	109	2521
Bellingham	1254	4504	313	6071
Braintree	5522	12630	668	18820
Brookline	15834	10349	2989	29172
Canton	2658	6465	304	9427
Cohasset	1520	2515	149	4184
Dedham	4188	9039	570	13797
Dover	1091	1618	62	2771
Foxborough	1675	4388	122	6185
Franklin	1767	5595	311	7673
Holbrook	1370	3946	213	5529
Medfield	1703	3198	112	5013
Medway	870	2814	110	3794
Millis	808	2277	113	3198
Milton	6067	8854	717	15638
Needham	6630	9737	499	16866
Norfolk	503	1757	47	2307
Norwood	5148	9406	652	15206
Plainville	589	1809	130	2528
QUINCY	13032	28267	2705	44004
Randolph	4496	8803	743	14042
Sharon	3001	4171	131	7303
Stoughton	2785	7706	636	11127
Walpole	2689	6159	273	9121
Wellesley	7058	7505	465	15028
Westwood	2632	4754	180	7566
Weymouth	7122	17830	1191	26143
Wrentham	633	2117	105	2855
Totals	103217	190053	14619	307889

In the County of Plymouth

Abington	1537	4358	221	6116
Bridgewater	1697	4360	253	6310
BROCKTON	8795	23556	2456	34807
Carver	436	1455	88	1979
Duxbury	1947	3413	120	5480
East Bridgewater	727	3217	281	4225
Halifax	492	1870	67	2429
Hanover	1283	3807	153	5243
Hanson	638	2592	119	3349
Hingham	3555	6652	338	10545
Hull	1307	3228	232	4767
Kingston	829	2267	165	3361

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In the County of Plymouth — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Lakeville	428	1918	73	2419
Marion	637	1259	85	1987
Marshfield	2812	6220	249	9281
Mattapoisett	622	2144	86	2852
Middleborough	1068	4828	292	6188
Norwell	1269	3006	177	4452
Pembroke	1189	4018	143	5350
Plymouth	3295	8599	1148	13042
Plympton	168	641	28	837
Rochester	177	903	43	1123
Rockland	1452	4896	286	6634
Scituate	3138	5573	303	9014
Wareham	1373	5186	423	6982
West Bridgewater	590	2497	82	3169
Whitman	1259	4561	181	6001
Totals	42720	117024	8092	167836

In the County of Suffolk

BOSTON	66850	99147	30396	196393
CHELSEA	3060	6464	1730	11254
REVERE	5618	13181	2091	20890
Winthrop	3613	5530	834	9977
Totals	79141	124322	35051	238514

In the County of Worcester

Ashburnham	254	1471	56	1781
Athol	449	4184	195	4828
Auburn	1389	6388	298	8075
Barre	253	1684	118	2055
Berlin	166	902	32	1100
Blackstone	626	2058	278	2962
Bolton	341	884	23	1248
Boylston	348	1315	58	1721
Brookfield	116	904	61	1081
Charlton	360	1912	131	2403
Clinton	1043	4594	399	6036
Douglas	218	1435	90	1743
Dudley	662	2773	270	3705
East Brookfield	122	753	29	904
FITCHBURG	3431	12432	1210	17073
GARDNER	1384	6687	667	8738
Grafton	880	4360	239	5479
Hardwick	130	910	62	1102
Harvard	705	1259	27	1991
Holden	1482	5167	546	7195
Hopedale	376	1756	120	2252
Hubbardston	104	641	26	771
Lancaster	515	1868	79	2462
Leicester	683	3429	161	4273
LEOMINSTER	2974	11152	1004	15130
Lunenburg	845	2976	120	3941
Mendon	209	1209	70	1488
Millford	2026	8058	594	10678
Millbury	850	4542	318	5710
Millville	153	573	97	823
New Braintree	47	270	17	334
North Brookfield	221	1688	80	1989
Northborough	1191	3733	111	5035
Northbridge	700	2718	2109	5527
Oakham	52	426	10	488
Oxford	607	3293	291	4191
Paxton	412	1504	43	1959
Petersham	112	485	17	614

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Phillipston	29	383	13	425
Princeton	204	827	23	1054
Royalston	53	390	6	449
Rutland	169	1536	36	1741
Shrewsbury	2572	8289	409	11270
Southborough	802	2178	69	3049
Southbridge	1176	4821	977	6974
Spencer	593	3887	243	4723
Sterling	306	1946	72	2324
Sturbridge	488	1953	177	2618
Sutton	334	2053	96	2483
Templeton	258	2258	99	2615
Upton	311	1565	74	1950
Uxbridge	603	3210	268	4081
Warren	176	1493	81	1750
Webster	1028	5267	499	6794
West Boylston	569	2696	114	3379
West Brookfield	169	1116	69	1354
Westborough	1723	4661	150	6534
Westminster	362	2009	71	2442
Winchendon	436	2189	156	2781
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NORFOLK	149863	145119	12907	307889
PLYMOUTH	78488	81307	8041	167836
SUFFOLK	98446	105478	34590	238514
WORCESTER	129041	146897	13479	289417
TOTALS	1207162	1228185	158915	2594262

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In the County of Barnstable

Barnstable	8538	5628	460	14626
Bourne	2478	2229	380	5087
Brewster	1721	849	66	2636
Chatham	2495	1400	106	4001
Dennis	3679	2682	215	6576
Eastham	1219	665	43	1927
Falmouth	7105	3907	434	11446
Harwich	3043	1929	133	5105
Mashpee	1045	666	93	1804
Orleans	1906	1060	97	3063
Provincetown	1200	776	175	2151
Sandwich	2190	1372	65	3627
Truro	463	297	25	785
Wellfleet	936	454	37	1427
Yarmouth	5374	3545	1133	10052
Totals	43392	27459	3462	74313

In the County of Berkshire

Adams	2637	2700	413	5750
Alford	142	77	7	226
Becket	269	162	59	490
Cheshire	802	742	81	1625
Clarksburg	419	446	27	892
Dalton	2064	1400	101	3565
Egremont	409	217	17	643
Florida	145	215	13	373
Great Barrington	1456	1306	475	3237
Hancock	186	139	14	339
Hinsdale	427	308	22	757
Lanesborough	746	532	93	1371
Lee	1431	1110	205	2746
Lenox	1624	1135	203	2962
Monterey	283	118	14	415
Mount Washington	33	23	2	58
New Ashford	62	39	3	104
New Marlborough	335	165	30	530
NORTH ADAMS	3370	4158	524	8052
Otis	216	187	40	443
Peru	163	86	5	254
PITTSFIELD	13328	9727	2666	25721
Richmond	578	267	12	857
Sandisfield	157	105	39	301
Savoy	103	95	13	211
Sheffield	842	440	40	1322
Stockbridge	998	378	58	1434
Tyringham	114	66	6	186

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Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

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In the County of Berkshire — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Washington	156	78	5	239
West Stockbridge	425	271	29	725
Williamstown	2463	1208	129	3800
Windsor	185	109	7	301
Totals	36568	28009	5352	69929

In the County of Bristol

Acushnet	1249	2987	208	4444
ATTLEBORO	4962	6801	927	12690
Berkley	475	469	52	996
Dartmouth	3420	5920	711	10051
Dighton	977	1319	91	2387
Easton	3472	3404	152	7028
Fairhaven	2262	4123	820	7205
FALL RIVER	9798	23415	4626	37839
Freetown	937	1392	63	2392
Mansfield	1643	3746	107	5496
NEW BEDFORD	10526	24690	3146	38362
North Attleborough	2994	4671	690	8355
Norton	1690	2586	107	4383
Raynham	1655	1999	99	3753
Rehoboth	1569	1424	182	3175
Seekonk	2787	2400	398	5585
Somerset	3080	6096	490	9666
Swansea	2406	4152	397	6955
TAUNTON	6904	9880	1623	18407
Westport	2348	3422	266	6036
Totals	65154	114896	15155	195205

In the County of Dukes

Chilmark	265	98	10	373
Edgartown	833	428	95	1356
Gay Head	73	36	14	123
Gosnold	41	26	7	74
Oak Bluffs	651	425	89	1165
Tisbury	951	520	84	1555
West Tisbury	449	111	16	576
Totals	3263	1644	315	5222

In the County of Essex

Amesbury	2250	2700	478	5428
Andover	7292	5502	505	13299
BEVERLY	9194	9442	678	19314
Boxford	1570	922	31	2523
Danvers	5767	5738	527	12032
Essex	979	585	42	1606
Georgetown	1456	1268	60	2784
GLOUCESTER	6241	5947	798	12986
Groveland	1239	1183	39	2461
Hamilton	2137	1361	76	3574
HAVERHILL	8733	10529	1129	20391
Ipswich	3341	2442	194	5977
LAWRENCE	9163	15322	1995	26480
LYNN	15600	16870	3773	36243
Lynnfield	3491	2954	100	6545
Manchester	1865	1148	89	3102
Marblehead	6233	6348	287	12868
Merrimac	889	1041	50	1980
Methuen	6843	10345	727	17915
Middleton	904	941	49	1894
Nahant	1310	904	48	2262
Newbury	1109	1174	42	2325
NEWBURYPORT	2855	4495	505	7855
North Andover	4846	4342	273	9461

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Votes for Question No. 6 — Continued

Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was disapproved by the House of Representatives on May 3, 1976, by a vote of 146-85, and on which no vote was taken by the Senate before May 5, 1976?

In the County of Essex — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
PEABODY	9106	12495	933	22534
Rockport	2464	1191	172	3827
Rowley	814	844	31	1689
SALEM	7523	10053	1589	19165
Salisbury	884	1532	113	2529
Saugus	5959	6209	338	12506
Swampscott	3873	3356	500	7729
Topsfield	1914	1067	20	3001
Wenham	1244	693	43	1980
West Newbury	863	513	23	1399
Totals	139951	151456	16257	307664

In the County of Franklin

Ashfield	454	302	17	773
Bernardston	321	563	20	904
Buckland	390	568	46	1004
Charlmont	266	227	17	510
Colrain	347	401	24	772
Conway	444	252	14	710
Deerfield	1131	1066	58	2255
Erving	268	408	20	696
Gill	313	344	11	668
Greenfield	3018	4759	1150	8927
Hawley	74	46	5	125
Heath	145	86	9	240
Leverett	535	152	17	704
Leyden	95	134	6	235
Monroe	37	57	3	97
Montague	1608	2587	167	4362
New Salem	227	117	11	355
Northfield	620	699	44	1363
Orange	1291	1338	99	2728
Rowe	100	113	5	218
Shelburne	444	472	31	947
Shutesbury	355	106	12	473
Sunderland	818	434	36	1288
Warwick	190	101	8	299
Wendell	199	112	18	329
Whately	397	261	29	687
Totals	14087	15705	1877	31669

In the County of Hampden

Agawam	5014	4613	892	10519
Blandford	299	219	7	525
Brimfield	579	457	35	1071
Chester	243	271	29	543
CHICOPEE	11964	13409	1177	26550
East Longmeadow	3748	2811	247	6806
Granville	397	195	22	614
Hampden	1277	783	32	2092
Holland	317	328	23	668
HOLYOKE	8760	9212	1680	19652
Longmeadow	5038	3750	159	8947
Ludlow	3881	4303	372	8556
Monson	1649	1347	109	3105
Montgomery	169	123	6	298
Palmer	2702	2769	217	5688
Russell	339	348	19	706
Southwick	1637	1340	58	3035
SPRINGFIELD	25777	22402	6103	54282
Tolland	67	84	4	155
Wales	224	234	10	468
West Springfield	6735	5413	358	12506
WESTFIELD	7700	7136	366	15202
Wilbraham	3605	2442	385	6432
Totals	92121	83989	12310	188420

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Votes for Question No. 6 — Continued

Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

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In the County of Hampshire

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Amherst	8846	1854	442	11142
Belchertown	1661	1000	58	2719
Chesterfield	227	163	14	404
Cummington	232	162	9	403
Easthampton	3669	3350	275	7294
Goshen	150	132	9	291
Granby	1334	1013	154	2501
Hadley	1345	853	95	2293
Hatfield	799	791	66	1656
Huntington	409	359	30	798
Middlefield	106	69	6	181
NORTHAMPTON	7867	5347	526	13740
Pelham	419	145	15	579
Plainfield	115	60	10	185
South Hadley	4732	3403	204	8339
Southampton	1050	746	29	1825
Ware	2042	2237	179	4458
Westhampton	298	192	13	503
Williamsburg	676	479	31	1186
Worthington	282	170	16	468
Totals	36259	22525	2181	60965

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In the County of Middlesex

Acton	5125	3406	91	8622
Arlington	14749	12698	765	28212
Ashby	544	530	28	1102
Ashland	1723	2283	186	4192
Ayer	809	1332	67	2208
Bedford	3724	1931	325	5980
Belmont	8785	7115	523	16423
Billerica	6297	7007	518	13822
Boxborough	703	496	12	1211
Burlington	5176	4902	523	10601
CAMBRIDGE	27191	14111	1928	43230
Carlisle	1273	427	19	1719
Chelmsford	7334	8026	237	15597
Concord	5873	2658	340	8871
Dracut	3564	6066	310	9940
Dunstable	399	331	19	749
EVERETT	5704	10407	2185	18296
Framingham	12320	17353	762	30435
Groton	1466	1126	46	2638
Holliston	2732	3201	73	6006
Hopkinton	1489	1660	52	3201
Hudson	3112	3584	271	6967
Lexington	11270	4965	896	17131
Lincoln	2107	662	99	2868
Littleton	1793	1481	49	3323
LOWELL	13710	21775	2011	37496
MALDEN	9788	13842	1967	25597
MARLBOROUGH	5741	7403	385	13529
Maynard	2092	2377	173	4642
MEDFORD	12163	15846	1580	29589
MELROSE	8003	6944	1064	16011
Natick	6480	7898	565	14943
NEWTON	25841	16665	3316	45822
North Reading	3184	2341	88	5613
Pepperell	1204	1599	78	2881
Reading	6818	4872	440	12130
Sherborn	1386	776	14	2176
Shirley	714	902	37	1653
SOMERVILLE	14624	15409	1871	31904
Stonham	5203	4853	626	10682
Stow	1310	963	22	2297
Sudbury	4622	2605	127	7354
Tewksbury	4527	5514	208	10249

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In the County of Middlesex — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Townsend	1074	1261	57	2392
Tyngsborough	975	1258	59	2292
Wakefield	6389	6305	658	13352
WALTHAM	9777	11817	2522	24116
Watertown	9050	8280	1675	19005
Wayland	4511	2465	115	7091
Westford	3006	2931	111	6048
Weston	4149	1994	92	6235
Wilmington	3461	3493	512	7466
Winchester	6476	4202	698	11376
WOBURN	7652	8246	1373	17271
Totals	319192	302596	32768	654556

In the County of Nantucket

Nantucket	1409	1105	149	2663
Totals	1409	1105	149	2663

In the County of Norfolk

Avon	1102	1274	145	2521
Bellingham	1798	4072	201	6071
Braintree	8973	9476	371	18820
Brookline	16781	9164	3227	29172
Canton	4407	4813	207	9427
Cohasset	2578	1519	87	4184
Dedham	6262	6834	701	13797
Dover	1741	991	39	2771
Foxborough	3193	2902	90	6185
Franklin	3068	4383	222	7673
Holbrook	2355	3039	135	5529
Medfield	2589	2352	72	5013
Medway	1331	2384	79	3794
Millis	1223	1928	47	3198
Milton	7890	7337	411	15638
Needham	9594	6671	601	16866
Norfolk	1206	1073	28	2307
Norwood	7424	7383	399	15206
Plainville	1057	1411	60	2528
QUINCY	19247	22996	1761	44004
Randolph	5770	7378	894	14042
Sharon	4207	2937	159	7303
Stoughton	4562	5971	594	11127
Walpole	4861	4067	193	9121
Wellesley	8908	5611	509	15028
Westwood	4305	3149	112	7566
Weymouth	12020	12705	1418	26143
Wrentham	1411	1299	145	2855
Totals	149863	145119	12907	307889

In the County of Plymouth

Abington	2937	3035	144	6116
Bridgewater	3264	2857	189	6310
BROCKTON	12784	19143	2880	34807
Carver	969	956	54	1979
Duxbury	3368	2039	73	5480
East Bridgewater	1877	2056	292	4225
Halifax	1125	1254	50	2429
Hanover	2569	2589	85	5243
Hanson	1567	1618	164	3349
Hingham	5961	4177	407	10545

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In the County of Norfolk — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Hull	2243	2350	174	4767
Kingston	1674	1476	111	3261
Lakeville	1093	1274	52	2419
Marion	1041	880	60	1981
Marshfield	5098	4030	153	9281
Mattapoisett	1211	1582	59	2852
Middleborough	2788	3175	225	6188
Norwell	2444	1823	185	4452
Pembroke	2610	2650	90	5350
Plymouth	5965	5596	1481	13042
Plympton	462	349	26	837
Rochester	471	623	29	1123
Rockland	2826	3461	347	6634
Scituate	5229	3619	166	9014
Wareham	2764	3861	357	6982
West Bridgewater	1446	1668	55	3169
Whitman	2702	3166	133	6001
Totals	78488	81307	8041	167836

In the County of Suffolk

BOSTON	83420	82915	30058	196393
CHELSEA	3709	6158	1387	11254
REVERE	6704	11918	2268	20890
Winthrop	4613	4487	877	9977
Totals	98446	105478	34590	238514

In the County of Worcester

Ashburnham	901	846	34	1781
Athol	2237	2434	157	4828
Auburn	3925	3987	163	8075
Barre	1052	915	88	2055
Berlin	616	458	26	1100
Blackstone	831	1927	204	2962
Bolton	794	434	20	1248
Boylston	911	779	31	1721
Brookfield	520	520	41	1081
Charlton	1178	1126	99	2403
Clinton	2628	3067	341	6036
Douglas	740	932	71	1743
Dudley	1766	1759	180	3705
East Brookfield	411	465	28	904
FITCHBURG	6260	10022	791	17073
GARDNER	3936	4255	547	8738
Grafton	2518	2781	180	5479
Hardwick	547	494	61	1102
Harvard	1368	609	14	1991
Holden	3851	2976	368	7195
Hopedale	483	1705	64	2252
Hubbardston	461	288	22	771
Lancaster	1373	1025	64	2462
Leicester	2000	2150	123	4273
LEOMINSTER	5263	8644	1223	15130
Lunenburg	1967	1903	71	3941
Mendon	409	1042	37	1488
Milford	1960	8392	326	10678
Millbury	2473	3023	214	5710
Millville	281	477	65	823
New Braintree	212	107	15	334
North Brookfield	982	947	60	1989
Northborough	2738	2230	67	5035
Northbridge	2305	2676	546	5527

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Votes for Question No. 6 — Continued

Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was disapproved by the House of Representatives on May 3, 1976, by a vote of 146-85, and on which no vote was taken by the Senate before May 5, 1976?

In the County of Worcester — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Oakham	288	194	6	488
Oxford	1780	2115	296	4191
Paxton	1070	863	26	1959
Petersham	374	228	12	614
Phillipston	226	187	12	425
Princeton	659	385	10	1054
Royalston	275	156	18	449
Rutland	972	734	35	1741
Shrewsbury	5208	5778	284	11270
Southborough	1451	1553	45	3049
Southbridge	2818	3138	1018	6974
Spencer	2030	2538	155	4723
Sterling	1201	1086	37	2324
Sturbridge	1383	998	237	2618
Sutton	1180	1211	92	2483
Templeton	1202	1339	74	2615
Upton	734	1151	65	1950
Uxbridge	1377	2523	181	4081
Warren	778	890	82	1750
Webster	2834	3544	416	6794
West Boylston	1783	1539	57	3379
West Brookfield	667	634	53	1354
Westborough	3206	3223	105	6534
Westminster	1274	1105	63	2442
Winchendon	1428	1241	112	2781
WORCESTER	32946	33149	3647	69742
Totals	129041	146897	13479	289417

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Votes on Question No. 7 — Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was disapproved by the House of Representatives on May 3, 1976, by a vote of 182-49, and on which no vote was taken by the Senate before May 5, 1976?

AGGREGATE OF VOTES

COUNTIES	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
BARNSTABLE ..	22708	46746	4859	74313
BERKSHIRE ..	8455	56130	5344	69929
BRISTOL ..	39524	137265	18416	195205
DUKES ..	2043	2678	501	5222
ESSEX ..	66888	220594	20182	307664
FRANKLIN ..	5796	23705	2168	31669
HAMPDEN ..	32395	143696	12328	188420
HAMPSHIRE ..	14508	43457	3000	60965
MIDDLESEX ..	170246	442358	41952	654556
NANTUCKET ..	878	1528	257	2663
NORFOLK ..	77041	214700	16148	307889
PLYMOUTH ..	41856	116805	9175	167836
SUFFOLK ..	75791	124274	38449	238514
WORCESTER ..	50562	219085	19770	289417
TOTALS ..	608691	1793022	192549	2594262

SUMMARY

The proposed act would impose a general requirement that every electric utility company charge a uniform rate per kilowatt hour of electricity. The proposed act would except from this general rule rates charged to other electric utility companies and to residential customers who heat their principle place of residence by electricity. The Act would also permit a different rate to be charged residential customers for the first three hundred (300) kilowatt hours they consume each month, and would authorize "peak load" pricing whereby a higher rate than the uniform rate per kilowatt hour may be charged during the periods of the day or seasons of the year when consumption of electricity is the greatest. The Act would authorize the Department of Public Utilities to issue implementing rules and regulations and provides for enforcement.

In the County of Barnstable

Barnstable ..	4432	9492	702	14626
Bourne ..	1341	3243	503	5087
Brewster ..	861	1685	90	2636
Chatham ..	1157	2662	182	4001
Dennis ..	2123	4132	321	6576
Eastham ..	623	1245	59	1927
Falmouth ..	3711	7013	722	11446
Harwich ..	1501	3392	212	5105
Mashpee ..	622	1066	116	1804
Orleans ..	888	2029	146	3063
Provincetown ..	970	955	226	2151
Sandwich ..	1033	2476	118	3627
Truro ..	311	432	42	785
Wellfleet ..	564	791	72	1427
Yarmouth ..	2571	6133	1348	10052
Totals ..	22708	46746	4859	74313

In the County of Berkshire

Adams ..	624	4811	315	5750
Alford ..	40	177	9	226
Becket ..	89	343	58	490
Cheshire ..	153	1409	63	1625
Clarksburg ..	66	810	16	892
Dalton ..	361	3059	145	3565
Egremont ..	135	478	30	643
Florida ..	51	298	24	373
Great Barrington ..	452	2388	397	3237
Hancock ..	63	264	12	339
Hinsdale ..	93	633	31	757
Lanesborough ..	151	1131	89	1371
Lee ..	305	2232	209	2746
Lenox ..	368	2365	229	2962
Monterey ..	137	255	23	415
Mt. Washington ..	16	40	2	58
New Ashford ..	21	81	2	104
New Marlborough ..	118	373	39	530
NORTH ADAMS ..	866	6785	401	8052
Otis ..	88	309	46	443
Peru ..	39	201	14	254
PITTSFIELD ..	2660	20331	2730	25721
Richmond ..	125	704	28	857
Sandisfield ..	85	167	49	301
Savoy ..	31	163	17	211
Sheffield ..	216	1042	64	1322
Stockbridge ..	267	1082	85	1434

Votes on Question No. 7 — Continued

Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was disapproved by the House of Representatives on May 3, 1976, by a vote of 182-49, and on which no vote was taken by the Senate before May 5, 1976?

In the County of Berkshire — Concluded

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Tyringham	28	145	13	186
Washington	49	181	9	239
West Stockbridge	130	558	37	725
Williamstown	578	3075	147	3800
Windsor	50	240	11	301
Totals	8455	56130	5344	69929

In the County of Bristol

Acushnet	899	3313	232	4444
ATTLEBORO	2596	9201	893	12690
Berkley	204	705	87	996
Dartmouth	2029	7363	659	10051
Dighton	449	1792	146	2387
Easton	1712	5042	274	7028
Fairhaven	1526	4942	737	7205
FALL RIVER	7752	24481	5606	37839
Freetown	530	1766	96	2392
Massfield	800	4516	180	5496
NEW BEDFORD	8083	26593	3686	38362
North Attleborough	1242	6502	611	8355
Norton	896	3301	186	4383
Raynham	692	2886	175	3753
Rehoboth	863	2049	263	3175
Seekonk	1684	3301	600	5585
Somerset	1745	7330	591	9666
Swansea	1514	4914	527	6955
TAUNTON	2948	13006	2453	18407
Westport	1360	4262	414	6036
Totals	39529	137265	18416	195205

In the County of Dukes

Chilmark	169	180	24	373
Edgartown	516	690	150	1356
Gay Head	60	47	16	123
Gosnold	15	51	8	74
Oak Bluffs	417	620	128	1165
Tisbury	565	857	133	1555
West Tisbury	301	233	42	576
Totals	2043	2678	501	5222

In the County of Essex

Amesbury	1059	3694	675	5428
Andover	2770	10040	489	13299
BEVERLY	4381	13946	987	19314
Boxford	511	1957	55	2523
Danvers	2094	9434	504	12032
Essex	378	1145	83	1606
Georgetown	507	2168	109	2784
GLOUCESTER	3379	8519	1088	12986
Groveland	453	1941	67	2461
Hamilton	668	2768	138	3574
HAVERHILL	3873	14980	1538	20391
Ipswich	1226	4446	305	5977
LAWRENCE	5308	18577	2595	26480
LYNN	9373	23343	3527	36243
Lynnfield	1523	4840	182	6545
Manchester	780	2145	177	3102
Marblehead	2563	9831	474	12868
Merrimac	409	1485	86	1980
Methuen	3451	13403	1061	17915
Middleton	379	1438	77	1894
Nahant	622	1545	95	2262
Newbury	554	1690	81	2325
NEWBURYPORT	1761	5462	632	7855

SUMMARY

The proposed act would impose a general requirement that every electric utility company charge a uniform rate per kilowatt hour of electricity. The proposed act would except from this general rule rates charged to other electric utility companies and to residential customers who heat their principle place of residence by electricity. The Act would also permit a different rate to be charged residential customers for the first three hundred (300) kilowatt hours they consume each month, and would authorize "peak load" pricing whereby a higher rate than the uniform rate per kilowatt hour may be charged during the periods of the day or seasons of the year when consumption of electricity is the greatest. The Act would authorize the Department of Public Utilities to issue implementing rules and regulations and provides for enforcement.