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Question No. 10

Shall the Senator from this District be instructed to vote to approve the passage of a bill requiring the reduction and limitation of local property taxes by substituting revenue from state taxes, and providing that all state and local taxes combined shall not take a larger percentage of the total personal income in Massachusetts than the average percentage taken in the three year period immediately preceding approval?

CAPE & ISLANDS DISTRICT

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Bourne.....	2,433	786	1,186	4,405
TOTALS	2,433	786	1,186	4,405

THIRD ESSEX DISTRICT

Amesbury.....	2,111	897	1,202	4,210
NEWBURYPORT.....	3,122	882	1,894	5,898
Salisbury.....	1,006	377	523	1,906
TOTALS	6,239	2,156	3,619	12,014

SECOND HAMPDEN & HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT

SPRINGFIELD				
Ward 4.....	510	194	841	1,545
TOTALS	510	194	841	1,545

THIRD MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

MELROSE.....	7,456	1,891	3,042	12,389
TOTALS	7,456	1,891	3,042	12,389

Question No. 8

Shall the Senator from this District be instructed to support and vote in favor of legislation providing for a mandatory deposit on containers in which malt beverages or soft drinks are sold?

In the 2nd Worcester & Middlesex Senatorial District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Ashburnham.....	732	451	121	1,304
Ashby.....	416	68	773	1,257
Belton.....	709	228	94	1,031
FITCHBURG.....	5,486	4,466	2,389	12,341
GARDNER.....	2,914	2,481	1,071	6,466
Holden.....	3,545	1,435	925	5,905
Lancaster.....	1,056	428	272	1,756
LEOMINSTER.....	4,871	4,066	1,932	10,869
Lunenburg.....	1,736	985	195	2,916
Princeton.....	577	84	84	912
Sterling.....	1,167	533	175	1,875
Townsend.....	989	663	186	1,838
Westminster.....	1,067	732	171	1,970
TOTALS	25,265	17,008	7,683	49,956

Question No. 8

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote in favor of legislation which would require the democratic selection of all legislative leaders, committee chairpersons and committee members within the Massachusetts House of Representatives, the taking of an open vote on every bill, and the fixing of legislative salaries on recommendations by a citizen panel?

7th Essex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
SALEM	8,616	2,763	5,287	16,666
TOTALS	8,616	2,763	5,287	16,666

9th Middlesex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
WALTHAM Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, & 7	6,232	1,945	4,332	12,509
TOTALS	6,232	1,945	4,332	12,509

SUFFOLK & MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

CAMBRIDGE Ward 3, Precincts 3, 4, 5, Ward 4, Ward 5, Precincts 3, 4, 5, Ward 6, Precincts 2, 4, 5, Ward 7	2,371	3,301	11,006
TOTALS	2,371	3,301	11,006

Question No. 11

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FIRST BRISTOL DISTRICT

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
TAUNTON	8,066	1,556	4,302	13,924
TOTALS	8,066	1,556	4,302	13,924

SECOND HAMPDEN & HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT

SPRINGFIELD Wards 1, 3, 6	3,811	1,008	3,081	7,900
TOTALS	3,811	1,008	3,081	7,900

Question No. 9

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote for the passage of legislation which would assure citizens clear air by restricting smoking by the general public to separate and clearly posted areas and which would provide for fines in the event of non-compliance?

16th Essex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
LAWRENCE				
Wards 1, 2, 3, 4,				
Ward 5, Precincts 1, 3,	4,008	3,073	3,621	10,702
6, 7	4,008	3,073	3,621	10,702
TOTALS				

27th Middlesex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
CAMBRIDGE				
Ward 6, Precinct 3	7,901	3,366	2,314	13,581
Wards 8, 9, 10, 11	7,901	3,366	2,314	13,581
TOTALS				

28th Middlesex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
CAMBRIDGE				
Ward 3, Precincts 3, 4, 5				
Ward 4,				
Ward 5, Precincts 3, 4, 5,				
Ward 6, Precincts 2, 4, 5,	6,597	2,427	1,982	11,006
Ward 7	6,597	2,427	1,982	11,006
TOTALS				

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11th Essex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
LYNN				
Wards 5, 6, 7	5,922	2,070	3,627	11,619
Nahant	1,169	311	475	1,955
TOTALS	7,091	2,381	4,102	13,574

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7th Middlesex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Ashland				
Precincts 1, 2	906	907	212	2,025

Question No. 10

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9th Hampden Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
SPRINGFIELD				
Wards 1, 2	3,480	2,794	2,299	8,573
TOTALS	3,480	2,794	2,299	8,573

10th Hampden Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
SPRINGFIELD				
Wards 3, 6, Ward 7, Precincts B, C	3,662	1,889	2,248	7,799
TOTALS	3,662	1,889	2,248	7,799

Framingham				
Precincts 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17	3,858	2,991	1,442	8,291
TOTALS	4,764	3,898	1,654	10,316

25th Middlesex Representative District

Arlington				
Precincts 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21	10,335	5,382	2,463	18,180
TOTALS	10,335	5,382	2,463	18,180

6th Norfolk Representative District

Canton	3,492	3,409	884	7,785
Randolph	3,669	3,175	1,265	8,109
Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4	7,161	6,584	2,149	15,894
TOTALS				

11th Suffolk Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
BOSTON				
Ward 11, Precincts 9, 10, Ward 19, Precincts 2, 8, 9, Ward 20, Brookline	2,912	1,655	2,346	6,913
Precincts 1, 2, 4, 6				
Precincts 12, 13, 14, 15, 16	3,894	1,966	1,707	7,567
TOTALS	6,806	3,621	4,053	14,480

17th Suffolk Representative District

BOSTON				
Ward 4, Precinct 10, Ward 10, Ward 19, Precincts 1, 3, 4, 5	2,615	1,002	2,276	5,893
TOTALS	2,615	1,002	2,276	5,893

Question No. 8

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote for the passage of a bill which makes youth employment, with affirmative action concentrating on low income youth, a top priority for immediate state action with the creation of 10,000 new, productive jobs for youth by the end of 1979, through the use of a three percent increase in the corporate profits tax and through all available federal resources, and with the development of a plan and timetable for achieving full employment for youth within five years?

28th Middlesex Representative District				
Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
CAMBRIDGE				
Ward 3, Precincts 3, 4, 5,				
Ward 4,				
Ward 5, Precincts 3, 4, 5,				
Ward 6, Precincts 2, 4, 5,	6,291	2,284	2,431	11,006
Ward 7	6,291	2,284	2,431	11,006
TOTALS	6,291	2,284	2,431	11,006

Question No. 8

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote for the passage of a bill requiring that before an elementary school is closed, a Neighborhood Impact Statement describing all alternatives to the closing and the impact of the closing on the affected neighborhood must be prepared?

12th Middlesex Representative District				
Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
NEWTON				
Ward 2, Precinct 4,				
Ward 3, Precinct 2,				
Ward 4, Precincts 1, 2, 3,				
Ward 5, Precincts 1, 2, 4,				
Ward 6, Precincts 2, 3,				
Ward 8,				
Precincts 3, 4	7,636	3,287	3,174	14,097
TOTALS	7,636	3,287	3,174	14,097

Question No. 8

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote to approve the passage of a bill which: (a) sets a property tax limit of two and one half percent (2½%) of the full cash value as the maximum property tax; (b) limits the authority of the state to impose and assess costs on municipalities, including educational assessments, unless full state funding is provided; (c) limits the fiscal autonomy of schools by allowing the reduction or deletion of increases in school budgets upon a two-thirds vote of the town meeting or city council; (d) establishes a maximum yearly limit on state tax revenue and provides that the percentage increase in such revenue be limited to the percentage increase in the total personal income of Massachusetts?

Question No. 8

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote in favor of the passage of a measure which would require a moratorium on the construction of nuclear power plants until safe methods of waste disposal are devised?

27th Middlesex Representative District				
Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
CAMBRIDGE				
Ward 6, Precinct 3,	8,388	2,828	2,365	13,581
Wards 8, 9, 10, 11	8,388	2,828	2,365	13,581
TOTALS				

2nd Essex Representative District

Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Georgetown	1,342	442	568	2,352
Groveland	1,317	359	440	2,116
HAVERHILL				
Ward 3	1,809	568	1,292	3,669
Merrimac	869	322	346	1,537
Newbury	1,107	373	451	1,931
Rowley	751	282	339	1,372
West Newbury	618	258	287	1,163
TOTALS	7,813	2,604	3,723	14,140

Question No. 8

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote for the passage of a measure which would allow a landfill (dump) in Amesbury larger than that needed to dispose of the town's solid waste?

First Essex Representative District				
Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Amesbury	1,068	2,619	523	4,210
NEWBURYPORT	2,129	1,818	1,951	5,898
Salisbury	730	664	512	1,906
TOTALS	3,927	5,101	2,986	12,014

Question No. 9

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote for the passage of a measure which would allow a resource recovery plant (trash incinerator) to be built in the town of Amesbury?

First Essex Representative District				
Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Amesbury	655	2,980	575	4,210
NEWBURYPORT	1,682	2,523	1,693	5,898
Salisbury	580	871	455	1,906
TOTALS	2,917	6,374	2,723	12,014

Question No. 10

Shall the Representative from this District be instructed to vote in support of the passage of a measure requiring a moratorium on the MBTA-Red Line Extension through Cambridge pending further study of the environmental impact of a terminus at Alewife, the need to use Russell Field as a staging area and the effects of noise, dust and air pollution?

27th Middlesex Representative District				
Cities and Towns	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
CAMBRIDGE				
Ward 6, Precinct 3, Wards 8, 9, 10, 11	6,885	4,693	2,003	13,581
TOTALS	6,885	4,693	2,003	13,581

Total Number of People Who Voted

Cities and Towns	Cities and Towns
Abington	4,855
Acton	6,505
Acushnet	3,404
Adams	4,507
Agawam	7,752
Alford	152
Amesbury	4,210
Amherst	6,719
Andover	11,076
Arlington	23,014
Ashburnham	1,304
Ashby	773
Ashfield	534
Ashland	3,265
Athol	3,690
ATTLEBORO	8,838
Auburn	5,976
Avon	2,041
Ayer	1,628
Barnstable	12,144
Barre	1,521
Becket	288
Bedford	4,894
Belchertown	2,024
Bellingham	5,374
Belmont	13,493
Berkley	739
Berlin	887
Bernardston	652
BEVERLY	15,901
Billerica	11,045
Blackstone	2,068
Blandford	363
Bolton	1,031
BOSTON	160,384
Bourne	4,405
Boxborough	849
Boxford	2,194
Boylston	1,354
Braintree	15,169
Brewster	2,200
Bridgewater	4,829
Brimfield	793
BROCKTON	26,273
Brookfield	755
Brookline	22,590
Buckland	703
Burlington	8,422
CAMBRIDGE	31,814
Canton	7,785
Carlisle	1,521
Carver	1,687
Charlemont	357
Charlton	1,859
Chatham	3,226
Chelmsford	12,292
CHELSEA	9,596
Cheshire	1,183
Chester	307
Chesterfield	278
CHICOPEE	20,095
Chilmark	305
Clarksburg	617
Clinton	5,053
Cohasset	3,433
Colran	599
Concord	7,144
Conway	497
Cummington	296
Dalton	2,614
Danvers	10,137
Dartmouth	7,236
Deerham	11,499
Deerfield	1,667
Dennis	5,482
Dighton	1,680
Douglas	1,273
Dover	2,345
Dracut	8,409
Dudley	3,122
Dunstable	578
Duxbury	4,640
East Bridgewater	2,986
East Brookfield	706
East Longmeadow	4,749
Eastham	1,637
Easthampton	6,026
Easton	5,537
Edgartown	1,115
Egremont	442
Erving	518
Essex	1,241
EVERETT	16,184
Fairhaven	5,480
FALL RIVER	30,655
Falmouth	9,142
FITCHBURG	12,341
Florida	204
Foxborough	4,611
Frammingham	22,424
Franklin	5,817
Freetown	1,868
GARDNER	6,466
Gay Head	112
Georgetown	2,352
Gill	487
GLOUCESTER	9,500
Goshen	203
Gosnold	48
Grafton	4,079
Granby	1,685
Granville	436
Great Barrington	2,223
Greenfield	6,710
Groton	2,092
Groveland	2,116
Hadley	1,867
Halifax	1,960
Hamilton	2,967
Hampden	1,491
Hancock	205
Hanover	4,169
Hanson	2,504
Hardwick	797
Harvard	1,735
Harwich	3,941
Hatfield	1,286
HAVERHILL	16,801
Hawley	86
Heath	154
Hingham	8,912
Hinsdale	471
Holbrook	4,484
Holden	5,905
Holland	453
Holliston	4,783
HOLYOKE	14,534
Hopedale	1,740
Hopkinton	2,579
Hubbardston	644

Total Number of People Who Voted

Cities and Towns	Cities and Towns
Hudson	4,771
Hull	3,671
Huntington	522
Ipswich	4,856
Kingston	2,534
Lakeville	1,872
Lancaster	1,756
Lanesborough	1,017
LAWRENCE	21,425
Lee	1,921
Leicester	3,337
Lenox	2,219
LEOMINSTER	10,869
Leverett	519
Lexington	14,480
Leyden	178
Lincoln	2,434
Littleton	2,508
Longmeadow	6,799
LOWELL	29,790
Ludlow	6,448
Lunenburg	2,916
LYNN	28,433
Lynnfield	5,560
MALDEN	20,521
Manchester	2,638
Mansfield	3,753
Marblehead	10,708
Marion	1,546
MARLBOROUGH	9,924
Marshfield	7,209
Mashpee	1,420
Mattapoisett	2,108
Maynard	3,501
Medfield	4,102
MEDFORD	24,288
Medway	3,137
MELROSE	12,389
Mendon	1,150
Merrimac	1,537
Methuen	14,810
Middleborough	4,568
Middlefield	109
Middleton	1,524
Milford	9,907
Millbury	4,474
Millis	2,568
Millville	608
Milton	13,533
Monroe	65
Monson	2,120
Montague	3,294
Monterey	288
Montgomery	244
Mount Washington	49
Nahant	1,955
Nantucket	1,839
Natick	11,330
Needham	14,161
New Ashford	69
NEW BEDFORD	30,643
New Braintree	242
New Marlborough	352
New Salem	262
Newbury	1,931
NEWBURYPORT	5,898
NEWTON	37,291
Norfolk	1,886
NORTH ADAMS	5,964
North Andover	7,691
North Attleborough	5,862
North Brookfield	1,565
North Reading	4,414
NORTHAMPTON	9,902
Northborough	3,701
Northbridge	4,183
Northfield	942
Norton	3,140
Norwell	3,597
Norwood	12,133
Oak Bluffs	954
Oakham	406
Orange	1,866
Orleans	2,607
Otis	268
Oxford	3,165
Palmer	4,134
Paxton	1,554
PEABODY	20,426
Pelham	447
Pembroke	4,121
Pepperell	2,286
Peru	191
Petersham	475
Phillipston	315
PITTSFIELD	19,067
Plainfield	134
Plainville	1,838
Plymouth	10,388
Plympton	653
Princeton	912
Provincetown	1,311
QUINCY	36,770
Randolph	11,442
Raynham	3,047
Reading	9,889
Rehoboth	2,221
REVERE	17,986
Richmond	644
Rochester	869
Rockland	4,860
Rockport	3,045
Rowe	147
Rowley	1,372
Royalston	303
Russell	446
Rutland	1,489
SALEM	16,666
Salisbury	1,906
Sandisfield	169
Sandwich	3,280
Saugus	10,057
Savoy	152
Scituate	7,058
Seekonk	3,470
Sharon	6,001
Sheffield	943
Shelburne	691
Sherborn	1,873
Shirley	1,133
Shrewsbury	8,764
Shutesbury	324
Somerset	7,598
SOMERVILLE	25,395
South Hadley	6,375
Southampton	1,350
Southborough	2,525
Southbridge	5,749
Southwick	1,995
Spencer	3,708

Total Number of People Who Voted

Cities and Towns	Cities and Towns		
SPRINGFIELD	38,962	Wellesley	12,436
Sterling	1,875	Welfleet	1,066
Stockbridge	1,057	Wendell	226
Stoneham	8,281	Wenham	1,684
Stoughton	8,875	West Boylston	2,631
Stow	1,850	West Bridgewater	2,535
Sturbridge	2,020	West Brookfield	1,003
Sudbury	5,969	West Newbury	1,163
Sunderland	739	West Springfield	9,440
Sutton	1,881	West Stockbridge	522
Swampscott	6,667	West Tisbury	453
Swansea	5,111	Westborough	5,152
TAUNTON	13,924	WESTFIELD	11,450
Templeton	1,812	Westford	5,166
Tewksbury	8,289	Westhampton	391
Tisbury	1,229	Westminster	1,970
Tolland	100	Weston	5,275
Topsfield	2,621	Westport	4,566
Townsend	1,838	Westwood	6,467
Truro	620	Weymouth	21,038
Tyngsborough	1,781	Whately	521
Tyringham	135	Whitman	4,552
Upton	1,587	Wilbraham	4,974
Uxbridge	2,976	Williamsburg	860
Wakefield	10,832	Williamstown	2,580
Wales	350	Wilmington	6,143
Walpole	7,335	Winchendon	1,803
WALTHAM	17,629	Winchester	9,143
Ware	3,281	Windsor	223
Wareham	4,868	Winthrop	8,670
Warren	1,242	WOBURN	13,754
Warwick	226	WORCESTER	53,833
Washington	193	Worthington	312
Watertown	14,717	Wrentham	2,177
Wayland	5,809	Yarmouth	8,226
Webster	5,007	TOTAL	2,044,076

