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QUESTION A

Shall a charter study commission be created to study the present governmental structure of _____ county to consider and make findings concerning the form of government and make recommendations thereon?

In the counties of: Barnstable, Berkshire, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Plymouth, Worcester.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Barnstable	8,233	3,284	3,094	14,611
Bourne	2,485	1,443	930	4,858
Brewster	1,821	764	469	3,054
Chatham	2,121	723	609	3,453
Dennis	3,149	1,333	1,318	5,800
Eastham	1,278	454	294	2,026
Falmouth	6,246	2,296	1,896	10,438
Harwich	2,941	765	706	4,412
Mashpee	1,167	393	306	1,866
Orleans	1,968	562	458	2,988
Provincetown	924	212	209	1,345
Sandwich	2,913	943	667	4,523
Truro	476	157	109	742
Wellfleet	764	285	192	1,241
Yarmouth	4,819	1,815	1,743	8,377
TOTALS	**41,305**	**15,429**	**13,000**	**69,734**
Berkshire County				
Adams	1,813	788	996	3,597
Alford	71	31	34	136
Becket	148	113	47	308
Cheshire	503	349	272	1,124
Clarksburg	319	127	134	580
Dalton	1,179	766	392	2,337
Egremont	222	110	109	441
Florida	110	78	56	244
Great Barrington	919	507	569	1,995
Hancock	92	75	47	214
Hinsdale	233	142	126	501
Lanesborough	490	330	176	996
Lee	745	486	372	1,603
Lenox	1,037	579	404	2,020
Monterey	163	69	50	282
Mt. Washington	18	15	13	46
New Ashford	49	33	20	102
New Marlborough	166	124	100	390
Essex County (continued)				
Wenham	691	330	235	1,256
West Newbury	642	315	269	1,226
TOTALS	**103,676**	**56,814**	**46,683**	**207,173**
Franklin County				
Ashfield	343	143	112	598
Bernardston	334	196	118	648
Buckland	349	160	119	628
Charlemont	183	107	69	359
Colrain	272	123	100	495
Conway	296	126	114	536
Deerfield	853	471	263	1,587
Erving	267	147	89	503
Gill	257	127	103	487
Greenfield	3,104	1,542	982	5,628
Hawley	62	26	25	113
Heath	117	45	39	201
Leverett	387	129	131	647
Leyden	117	65	37	219
Monroe	24	15	15	54
Montague	1,420	687	543	2,650
New Salem	154	84	56	294
Northfield	499	253	220	972
Orange	1,039	473	435	1,947
Rowe	79	47	31	157
Shelburne	386	153	110	649
Shutesbury	288	79	114	481
Sunderland	449	195	192	836
Warwick	118	46	54	218
Wendell	148	44	56	248
Whately	290	156	141	587
TOTALS	**11,835**	**5,639**	**4,268**	**21,742**

NORTH ADAMS	2,446	1,068	1,439	4,953
Otis	125	81	49	255
Peru	84	77	46	207
PITTSFIELD	6,472	4,714	3,959	15,145
Richmond	309	168	110	587
Sandisfield	69	41	40	150
Savoy	91	38	26	155
Sheffield	456	259	221	936
Stockbridge	438	248	242	928
Tyringham	74	38	24	136
Washington	92	46	39	177
West Stockbridge	236	109	139	484
Williamstown	1,488	690	628	2,806
Windsor	116	95	49	260
TOTALS	**20,773**	**12,394**	**10,928**	**44,095**

Essex County

Amesbury	1,553	963	941	3,457
Andover	5,080	3,417	1,185	9,682
BEVERLY	6,456	3,492	2,454	12,402
Boxford	1,075	679	376	2,130
Danvers	4,688	2,293	1,676	8,657
Essex	517	351	231	1,099
Georgetown	1,053	644	374	2,071
GLOUCESTER	3,515	3,068	1,456	8,039
Groveland	855	499	345	1,699
Hamilton	1,289	741	511	2,541
HAVERHILL	6,483	3,205	3,542	13,230
Ipswich	2,121	1,072	855	4,048
LAWRENCE	6,468	2,525	5,140	14,133
LYNN	11,492	6,032	5,466	22,990
Lynnfield	2,543	1,310	840	4,693
Manchester	1,129	585	420	2,134
Marblehead	4,244	2,176	1,789	8,209
Merrimac	739	402	321	1,462
Methuen	6,595	4,370	2,841	13,806
Middleton	853	407	300	1,560
Nahant	774	459	399	1,632
Newbury	1,016	628	431	2,075
NEWBURYPORT	2,856	1,293	1,262	5,411
North Andover	4,215	1,754	1,352	7,321
PEABODY	7,715	4,353	4,369	16,437
Rockport	1,520	703	737	2,960
Rowley	675	419	268	1,362
SALEM	6,150	2,940	2,793	11,883
Salisbury	876	596	341	1,813
Saugus	4,015	2,635	1,565	8,215
Swampscott	2,535	1,538	1,201	5,274
Topsfield	1,248	620	398	2,266

Hampden County

Agawam	3,043	2,015	1,584	6,642
Blandford	159	131	63	353
Brimfield	370	208	126	704
Chester	166	86	77	329
CHICOPEE	8,389	4,838	4,040	17,267
East Longmeadow	1,915	1,251	1,115	4,281
Granville	163	145	87	395
Hampden	646	455	267	1,368
Holland	224	155	100	479
HOLYOKE	4,897	2,316	3,753	10,966
Longmeadow	3,105	1,835	1,169	6,109
Ludlow	2,677	1,510	1,144	5,331
Monson	1,181	587	485	2,253
Montgomery	101	81	40	222
Palmer	1,748	919	812	3,479
Russell	166	102	98	366
Southwick	942	616	304	1,862
SPRINGFIELD	13,179	7,804	11,930	32,913
Tolland	36	36	14	86
Wales	159	91	80	330
West Springfield	3,458	2,088	1,757	7,303
WESTFIELD	4,660	2,755	2,375	9,790
Wilbraham	2,305	1,485	829	4,619
TOTALS	**53,689**	**31,509**	**32,249**	**117,447**

Hampshire County

Amherst	3,323	1,770	1,582	6,675
Belchertown	1,075	674	596	2,345
Chesterfield	157	88	42	287
Cummington	131	59	54	244
Easthampton	2,469	1,348	1,084	4,901
Goshen	146	50	42	238
Granby	745	448	356	1,549
Hadley	862	562	440	1,864
Hatfield	549	347	336	1,232
Huntington	206	168	81	455
Middlefield	68	49	22	139
NORTHAMPTON	4,485	2,439	2,214	9,138
Pelham	253	140	110	503
Plainfield	84	44	43	171
South Hadley	2,431	1,495	1,218	5,144
Southampton	639	438	305	1,382
Ware	1,265	695	802	2,762
Westhampton	232	166	82	480
Williamsburg	434	237	180	851
Worthington	168	115	64	347
TOTALS	**19,722**	**11,332**	**9,653**	**40,707**

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Acton	3,422	1,630	880	5,932
Arlington	10,028	5,487	4,806	20,321
Ashby	347	240	153	740
Ashland	1,790	1,030	508	3,328
Ayer	746	392	293	1,431
Bedford	2,166	1,217	1,032	4,415
Belmont	5,817	2,844	2,747	11,408
Billerica	5,432	2,824	1,479	9,735
Boxborough	495	230	153	878
Burlington	3,987	2,518	1,516	8,021
CAMBRIDGE	16,026	6,529	8,038	30,593
Carlisle	850	572	325	1,747
Chelmsford	6,016	3,665	1,315	10,996
Concord	3,537	1,392	1,248	6,177
Dracut	3,511	2,279	1,220	7,010
Dunstable	302	185	122	609
EVERETT	4,282	3,169	4,244	11,695
Framingham	10,801	4,518	3,004	18,323
Groton	1,164	603	464	2,231
Holliston	2,458	1,421	847	4,726
Hopkinton	1,431	854	494	2,779
Hudson	2,208	1,307	966	4,481
Lexington	6,368	3,586	3,061	13,015
Lincoln	1,314	512	453	2,279
Littleton	1,460	639	506	2,605
LOWELL	9,272	5,528	6,277	21,077
MALDEN	6,501	5,108	4,006	15,615
MARLBOROUGH	4,182	2,352	2,081	8,615
Maynard	1,563	857	735	3,155
MEDFORD	10,212	6,122	3,905	20,239
MELROSE	5,360	3,272	2,983	11,615
Natick	5,253	2,818	2,618	10,689
NEWTON	14,509	7,848	8,365	30,722
North Reading	1,988	1,396	768	4,152
Pepperell	1,132	704	424	2,260
Reading	4,783	2,491	1,140	8,414
Sherborn	1,053	504	441	1,998
Shirley	576	347	252	1,175
SOMERVILLE	11,681	5,470	6,639	23,790
Stoneham	3,710	1,976	1,848	7,534
Stow	1,002	551	356	1,909
Sudbury	2,589	1,675	1,007	5,271
Tewksbury	3,856	2,065	1,283	7,204

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Ashburnham	732	407	224	1,363
Athol	1,450	739	673	2,862
Auburn	2,667	1,643	869	5,179
Barre	698	392	341	1,431
Berlin	358	241	176	775
Blackstone	966	530	353	1,849
Bolton	520	340	232	1,092
Boylston	622	400	228	1,250
Brookfield	372	274	166	812
Charlton	945	561	325	1,831
Clinton	1,782	956	1,154	3,892
Douglas	646	371	315	1,332
Dudley	1,165	613	513	2,291
East Brookfield	286	159	165	610
FITCHBURG	5,250	2,561	2,352	10,163
GARDNER	2,681	1,694	1,061	5,436
Grafton	1,804	1,159	602	3,565
Hardwick	386	208	199	793
Harvard	930	524	437	1,891
Holden	2,661	1,943	1,038	5,642
Hopedale	777	400	395	1,572
Hubbardston	339	178	133	650
Lancaster	725	474	393	1,592
Leicester	1,795	885	780	3,460
LEOMINSTER	4,819	2,917	1,757	9,493
Lunenburg	1,490	914	503	2,907
Mendon	443	335	283	1,061
Milford	2,775	1,792	1,806	6,373
Millbury	1,851	1,004	875	3,730
Millville	297	149	121	567
New Braintree	152	85	50	287
North Brookfield	723	455	418	1,596
Northborough	1,976	1,138	790	3,904
Northbridge	1,664	928	940	3,532
Oakham	193	138	96	427
Oxford	1,292	844	751	2,887
Paxton	772	483	249	1,504
Petersham	231	118	108	457
Phillipston	183	94	54	331
Princeton	632	332	160	1,124
Royalston	155	82	68	305
Rutland	601	495	203	1,299
Shrewsbury	4,947	2,600	1,745	9,292

Townsend	981	637	349	1,967
Tyngsborough	1,133	780	414	2,327
Wakefield	4,560	2,476	1,966	9,002
WALTHAM	6,928	3,785	5,471	16,184
Watertown	6,424	3,325	3,185	12,934
Wayland	2,486	1,585	1,003	5,074
Westford	2,777	1,444	982	5,203
Weston	2,117	1,372	815	4,304
Wilmington	2,279	1,683	1,297	5,259
Winchester	4,186	2,944	1,576	8,706
WOBURN	5,028	2,992	3,350	11,370
TOTALS	**224,079**	**123,750**	**105,410**	**453,239**

Plymouth County

Abington	2,096	1,284	785	4,165
Bridgewater	1,370	844	2,485	4,699
BROCKTON	10,164	5,939	4,517	20,620
Carver	1,609	756	576	2,941
Duxbury	2,526	1,264	726	4,516
East Bridgewater	1,134	820	745	2,699
Halifax	937	594	436	1,967
Hanover	1,834	1,169	850	3,853
Hanson	1,263	749	388	2,400
Hingham	3,893	2,338	1,358	7,589
Hull	1,508	736	616	2,860
Kingston	1,398	787	475	2,660
Lakeville	1,096	628	451	2,175
Marion	856	453	341	1,650
Marshfield	3,245	2,491	891	6,627
Mattapoisett	1,220	740	580	2,540
Middleborough	2,148	1,383	869	4,400
Norwell	1,563	1,032	725	3,320
Pembroke	1,885	1,238	820	3,943
Plymouth	6,864	2,852	2,693	12,409
Plympton	344	252	134	730
Rochester	684	402	242	1,328
Rockland	2,061	1,232	673	3,966
Scituate	3,151	1,869	1,224	6,244
Wareham	2,628	1,347	1,105	5,080
West Bridgewater	1,122	666	493	2,281
Whitman	1,791	1,241	728	3,760
TOTALS	**60,390**	**35,106**	**25,926**	**121,422**

Southborough	1,267	671	480	2,418
Southbridge	1,900	1,087	1,214	4,201
Spencer	1,730	915	736	3,381
Sterling	896	658	403	1,957
Sturbridge	860	561	375	1,796
Sutton	1,074	546	359	1,979
Templeton	832	465	374	1,671
Upton	626	433	412	1,471
Uxbridge	1,346	772	673	2,791
Warren	539	353	317	1,209
Webster	2,188	930	982	4,100
West Boylston	1,165	698	449	2,312
West Brookfield	478	338	252	1,068
Westborough	2,173	1,213	816	4,202
Westminster	971	599	314	1,884
Winchendon	765	449	262	1,476
WORCESTER	21,733	13,361	8,311	43,405
TOTALS	**96,296**	**56,604**	**40,830**	**193,730**

QUESTION 1

Proposed Legislative Amendment to the Constitution

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution summarized below, *which was approved by the General Court in joint sessions of the House of Representatives and the Senate on June 27, 1984 by a vote of 120-67, and on April 30, 1986 by a vote of 123-69?*

SUMMARY

The proposed constitutional amendment would allow the legislature to prohibit or regulate abortions to the extent permitted by the United States Constitution. It would also provide that the state constitution does not require public or private funding of abortions, or the provision of services or facilities for performing abortions, beyond what is required by the United States Constitution. The provisions of this amendment would not apply to abortions required to prevent the death of the mother.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Aggregate of Votes				
Barnstable	24,852	41,461	3,421	69,734
Berkshire	19,210	20,551	4,334	44,095
Bristol	61,204	62,923	11,055	135,182
Dukes	883	3,637	245	4,765
Essex	79,897	113,546	13,730	207,173
Franklin	6,676	13,951	1,115	21,742
Hampden	51,701	54,574	11,172	117,447
Hampshire	14,338	24,816	1,553	40,707
Middlesex	159,155	262,297	31,787	453,239
Nantucket	496	1,544	101	2,141
Norfolk	81,351	116,903	9,750	208,004
Plymouth	48,228	67,271	5,923	121,422
Suffolk	58,206	78,744	20,945	157,895
Worcester	83,711	97,093	12,926	193,730
TOTALS	689,908	959,311	128,057	1,777,276
Barnstable County				
Barnstable	5,445	8,429	737	14,611
Bourne	1,773	2,736	349	4,858
Brewster	902	2,012	140	3,054
Chatham	998	2,339	116	3,453
Dennis	2,215	3,180	405	5,800
Eastham	598	1,382	46	2,026
Falmouth	3,708	6,353	377	10,438
Harwich	1,570	2,479	363	4,412
Mashpee	644	1,152	70	1,866
Orleans	883	1,975	130	2,988
Provincetown	321	973	51	1,345
Sandwich	1,799	2,629	95	4,523
Truro	202	517	23	742
Bristol County (continued)				
Freetown	1,046	1,119	45	2,210
Mansfield	1,763	2,081	79	3,923
NEW BEDFORD	13,167	10,643	2,103	25,913
North Attleborough	2,512	2,834	249	5,595
Norton	1,172	1,827	118	3,117
Raynham	1,358	1,593	150	3,101
Rehoboth	719	1,425	128	2,272
Seekonk	1,396	2,034	185	3,615
Somerset	3,085	2,971	445	6,501
Swansea	1,871	2,263	373	4,507
TAUNTON	6,007	4,794	1,047	11,848
Westport	1,954	2,575	375	4,904
TOTALS	61,204	62,923	11,055	135,182
Dukes County				
Chilmark	34	358	10	402
Edgartown	209	978	80	1,267
Gay Head	12	80	7	99
Gosnold	10	48	1	59
Oak Bluffs	275	785	55	1,115
Tisbury	269	862	48	1,179
West Tisbury	74	526	44	644
TOTALS	883	3,637	245	4,765
Essex County				
Amesbury	1,101	1,946	410	3,457
Andover	3,381	5,969	332	9,682
BEVERLY	4,595	7,068	739	12,402
Boxford	659	1,441	30	2,130
Danvers	3,726	4,591	340	8,657

Wellfleet	242	974	25	1,241
Yarmouth	3,552	4,331	494	8,377
TOTALS	**24,852**	**41,461**	**3,421**	**69,734**
Berkshire County				
Adams	2,310	1,138	149	3,597
Alford	52	80	4	136
Becket	83	200	25	308
Cheshire	558	506	60	1,124
Clarksburg	291	276	13	580
Dalton	1,137	1,130	70	2,337
Egremont	115	310	16	441
Florida	112	117	15	244
Great Barrington	747	993	255	1,995
Hancock	68	138	8	214
Hinsdale	218	262	21	501
Lanesborough	391	520	85	996
Lee	669	689	245	1,603
Lenox	865	968	187	2,020
Monterey	86	190	6	282
Mt. Washington	10	30	6	46
New Ashford	29	71	2	102
New Marlborough	150	219	21	390
NORTH ADAMS	2,618	1,959	376	4,953
Otis	87	134	34	255
Peru	87	111	9	207
PITTSFIELD	6,171	6,515	2,459	15,145
Richmond	235	336	16	587
Sandisfield	47	97	6	150
Savoy	59	85	11	155
Sheffield	383	505	48	936
Stockbridge	273	614	41	928
Tyringham	36	91	9	136
Washington	77	96	4	177
West Stockbridge	205	250	29	484
Williamstown	944	1,767	95	2,806
Windsor	97	154	9	260
TOTALS	**19,210**	**20,551**	**4,334**	**44,095**
Bristol County				
Acushnet	1,711	1,920	254	3,885
ATTLEBORO	3,659	4,635	502	8,796
Berkley	364	474	30	868
Dartmouth	3,088	4,092	649	7,829
Dighton	613	933	79	1,625
Easton	2,106	3,125	132	5,363
Fairhaven	2,387	3,160	742	6,289
FALL RIVER	11,226	8,425	3,370	23,021
Essex	340	717	42	1,099
Georgetown	693	1,316	62	2,071
GLOUCESTER	2,426	4,926	687	8,039
Groveland	658	989	52	1,699
Hamilton	995	1,496	50	2,541
HAVERHILL	5,740	6,499	991	13,230
Ipswich	1,390	2,521	137	4,048
LAWRENCE	7,529	4,948	1,656	14,133
LYNN	9,856	11,274	1,860	22,990
Lynnfield	1,759	2,791	143	4,693
Manchester	563	1,491	80	2,134
Marblehead	1,689	6,339	181	8,209
Merrimac	507	889	66	1,462
Methuen	6,170	5,833	1,803	13,806
Middleton	544	957	59	1,560
Nahant	616	957	59	1,632
Newbury	622	1,380	73	2,075
NEWBURYPORT	1,775	3,262	374	5,411
North Andover	3,228	3,801	292	7,321
PEABODY	6,467	8,981	989	16,437
Rockport	743	2,107	110	2,960
Rowley	497	833	32	1,362
SALEM	5,038	5,987	858	11,883
Salisbury	616	1,048	149	1,813
Saugus	3,148	4,572	495	8,215
Swampscott	1,312	3,478	484	5,274
Topsfield	706	1,509	51	2,266
Wenham	393	842	21	1,256
West Newbury	415	788	23	1,226
TOTALS	**79,897**	**113,546**	**13,730**	**207,173**
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Ashfield	114	459	25	598
Bernardston	167	446	35	648
Buckland	214	397	17	628
Charlemont	115	229	15	359
Colrain	178	300	17	495
Conway	114	412	10	536
Deerfield	499	1,050	38	1,587
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Leverett	104	532	11	647
Leyden	43	165	11	219
Monroe	20	30	4	54
Montague	1,088	1,433	129	2,650
New Salem	98	190	6	294

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Northfield	277	657	38	972
Orange	815	1,037	95	1,947
Rowe	57	91	9	157
Shelburne	188	439	22	649
Shutesbury	84	389	8	481
Sunderland	197	620	19	836
Warwick	45	158	15	218
Wendell	38	204	6	248
Whately	155	403	29	587
TOTALS	**6,676**	**13,951**	**1,115**	**21,742**
Hampden County				
Agawam	2,671	3,330	641	6,642
Blandford	139	209	5	353
Brimfield	279	393	32	704
Chester	139	176	14	329
CHICOPEE	9,573	6,867	827	17,267
East Longmeadow	1,607	2,318	356	4,281
Granville	171	214	10	395
Hampden	513	828	27	1,368
Holland	187	277	15	479
HOLYOKE	5,011	4,143	1,812	10
Longmeadow	1,908	3,930	271	6,109
Ludlow	2,964	2,112	255	5,331
Monson	827	1,338	88	2,253
Montgomery	92	127	3	222
Palmer	1,799	1,440	240	3,479
Russell	198	155	13	366
Southwick	723	1,085	54	1,862
SPRINGFIELD	12,931	14,500	5,482	32,913
Tolland	34	49	3	86
Wales	121	197	12	330
West Springfield	3,407	3,447	449	7,303
WESTFIELD	4,571	4,873	346	9,790
Wilbraham	1,836	2,566	217	4,619
TOTALS	**51,701**	**54,574**	**11,172**	**117,447**
Hampshire County				
Amherst	1,007	5,466	202	6,675
Belchertown	822	1,407	116	2,345
Chesterfield	103	179	5	287

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County (continued)				
MELROSE	4,083	6,359	1,173	11,615
Natick	3,235	6,587	867	10,689
NEWTON	6,702	22,092	1,928	30,722
North Reading	1,481	2,577	94	4,152
Pepperell	838	1,368	54	2,260
Reading	3,025	5,147	242	8,414
Sherborn	575	1,386	37	1,998
Shirley	526	615	34	1,175
SOMERVILLE	8,841	13,283	1,666	23,790
Stoneham	3,179	3,956	399	7,534
Stow	549	1,341	19	1,909
Sudbury	1,297	3,834	140	5,271
Tewksbury	3,298	3,720	186	7,204
Townsend	692	1,200	75	1,967
Tyngsborough	941	1,284	102	2,327
Wakefield	3,798	4,783	421	9,002
WALTHAM	6,028	7,903	2,253	16,184
Watertown	4,663	7,231	1,040	12,934
Wayland	1,264	3,579	231	5,074
Westford	1,896	3,171	136	5,203
Weston	997	3,116	191	4,304
Wilmington	1,929	2,945	385	5,259
Winchester	2,913	5,214	579	8,706
WOBURN	4,690	5,356	1,324	11,370
TOTALS	**159,155**	**262,297**	**31,787**	**453,239**
Nantucket County				
Nantucket	496	1,544	101	2,141
TOTALS	**496**	**1,544**	**101**	**2,141**
Norfolk County				
Avon	686	885	98	1,669
Bellingham	1,586	1,927	176	3,689
Braintree	5,984	6,183	390	12,557
Brookline	2,665	14,524	1,237	18,426
Canton	3,236	3,706	233	7,175
Cohasset	1,059	1,680	91	2,830
Dedham	4,054	4,661	468	9,183
Dover	686	1,453	41	2,180
Foxborough	1,791	2,633	93	4,517
Franklin	2,062	2,571	312	4,945

Cummington	50	189	5	244
Easthampton	2,260	2,452	189	4,901
Goshen	78	154	6	238
Granby	595	855	99	1,549
Hadley	758	998	108	1,864
Hatfield	547	631	54	1,232
Huntington	164	259	32	455
Middlefield	61	73	5	139
NORTHAMPTON	2,945	5,915	278	9,138
Pelham	86	405	12	503
Plainfield	50	115	6	171
South Hadley	2,347	2,558	239	5,144
Southampton	569	785	28	1,382
Ware	1,460	1,178	124	2,762
Westhampton	133	334	13	480
Williamsburg	219	610	22	851
Worthington	84	253	10	347
TOTALS	**14,338**	**24,816**	**1,553**	**40,707**

Middlesex County

Acton	1,640	4,127	165	5,932
Arlington	8,355	11,194	772	20,321
Ashby	247	472	21	740
Ashland	1,190	1,989	149	3,328
Ayer	577	796	58	1,431
Bedford	1,282	2,937	196	4,415
Belmont	3,872	6,846	690	11,408
Billerica	4,133	5,283	319	9,735
Boxborough	231	633	14	878
Burlington	3,509	4,064	448	8,021
CAMBRIDGE	6,793	21,915	1,885	30,593
Carlisle	354	1,371	22	1,747
Chelmsford	4,384	6,116	496	10,996
Concord	1,526	4,378	273	6,177
Dracut	3,277	3,237	496	7,010
Dunstable	212	373	24	609
EVERETT	4,401	5,241	2,053	11,695
Framingham	6,408	11,165	750	18,323
Groton	747	1,450	34	2,231
Holliston	1,670	2,878	178	4,726
Hopkinton	1,037	1,683	59	2,779
Hudson	1,943	2,374	164	4,481
Lexington	3,162	9,025	828	13,015
Lincoln	369	1,863	47	2,279
Littleton	881	1,651	73	2,605
LOWELL	10,011	7,227	3,839	21,077
MALDEN	5,724	8,524	1,367	15,615
MARLBOROUGH	4,052	4,241	322	8,615.00
Maynard	1,210	1,825	120	3,155
MEDFORD	8,518	9,372	2,349	20,239
Holbrook	1,571	1,922	233	3,726
Medfield	1,450	2,469	135	4,054
Medway	1,074	1,440	123	2,637
Millis	815	1,438	58	2,311
Milton	5,442	5,056	428	10,926
Needham	4,263	7,597	513	12,373
Norfolk	745	1,325	37	2,107
Norwood	4,730	4,314	482	9,526
Plainville	734	984	73	1,791
QUINCY	12,796	12,004	1,791	26,591
Randolph	3,092	5,825	476	9,393
Sharon	1,005	4,598	133	5,736
Stoughton	2,804	4,464	533	7,801
Walpole	2,836	3,661	166	6,663
Wellesley	3,045	7,016	354	10,415
Westwood	2,342	2,904	192	5,438
Weymouth	7,804	8,435	793	17,032
Wrentham	994	1,228	91	2,313
TOTALS	**81,351**	**116,903**	**9,750**	**208,004**

Plymouth County

Abington	2,005	1,977	183	4,165
Bridgewater	1,769	2,617	313	4,699
BROCKTON	8,879	10,363	1,378	20,620
Carver	1,248	1,604	89	2,941
Duxbury	1,614	2,779	123	4,516
East Bridgewater	1,008	1,509	182	2,699
Halifax	772	1,122	73	1,967
Hanover	1,593	2,153	107	3,853
Hanson	996	1,280	124	2,400
Hingham	2,868	4,416	305	7,589
Hull	1,061	1,627	172	2,860
Kingston	1,051	1,446	163	2,660
Lakeville	996	1,123	56	2,175
Marion	465	1,099	86	1,650
Marshfield	2,531	3,831	265	6,627
Mattapoisett	827	1,624	89	2,540
Middleborough	1,754	2,494	152	4,400
Norwell	1,166	2,018	136	3,320
Pembroke	1,611	2,219	113	3,943
Plymouth	4,269	7,263	877	12,409
Plympton	211	495	24	730
Rochester	516	771	41	1,328
Rockland	1,885	1,912	169	3,966
Scituate	2,611	3,481	152	6,244
Wareham	1,933	2,856	291	5,080
West Bridgewater	928	1,272	81	2,281
Whitman	1,661	1,920	179	3,760
TOTALS	**48,228**	**67,271**	**5,923**	**121,422**

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Suffolk County				
BOSTON	48,291	65,980	17,888	132,159
CHELSEA	2,523	3,191	895	6,609
REVERE	5,156	6,343	1,552	13,051
Winthrop	2,236	3,230	610	6,076
TOTALS	58,206	78,744	20,945	157,895
Worcester County				
Ashburnham	525	802	36	1,363
Athol	1,424	1,323	115	2,862
Auburn	2,248	2,636	295	5,179
Barre	545	802	84	1,431
Berlin	245	502	28	775
Blackstone	1,009	699	141	1,849
Bolton	331	731	30	1,092
Boylston	452	762	36	1,250
Brookfield	296	478	38	812
Charlton	783	993	55	1,831
Clinton	2,106	1,526	260	3,892
Douglas	591	662	79	1,332
Dudley	1,116	982	193	2,291
East Brookfield	278	297	35	610
FITCHBURG	5,174	4,204	785	10,163
GARDNER	2,494	2,450	492	5,436
Grafton	1,481	1,868	216	3,565
Hardwick	305	438	50	793
Harvard	496	1,376	19	1,891
Holden	1,807	3,507	328	5,642
Hopedale	732	787	53	1,572
Hubbardston	211	422	17	650
Lancaster	594	947	51	1,592
Leicester	1,564	1,712	184	3,460
LEOMINSTER	4,615	4,145	733	9,493
Lunenburg	1,105	1,657	145	2,907
Mendon	402	607	52	1,061
Worcester County (continued)				
Milford	3,048	2,974	351	6,373
Millbury	1,644	1,861	225	3,730
Millville	292	246	29	567
New Braintree	102	172	13	287
North Brookfield	730	772	94	1,596
Northborough	1,365	2,431	108	3,904
Northbridge	1,609	1,532	391	3,532
Oakham	146	259	22	427
Oxford	1,183	1,455	249	2,887
Paxton	596	866	42	1,504
Petersham	165	277	15	457
Phillipston	140	178	13	331
Princeton	271	836	17	1,124
Royalston	105	181	19	305
Rutland	432	776	91	1,299
Shrewsbury	3,895	4,807	590	9,292
Southborough	890	1,441	87	2,418
Southbridge	1,879	1,781	541	4,201
Spencer	1,559	1,580	242	3,381
Sterling	716	1,202	39	1,957
Sturbridge	667	1,010	119	1,796
Sutton	788	1,110	81	1,979
Templeton	796	791	84	1,671
Upton	542	873	56	1,471
Uxbridge	1,467	1,169	155	2,791
Warren	582	552	75	1,209
Webster	2,300	1,502	298	4,100
West Boylston	968	1,259	85	2,312
West Brookfield	424	584	60	1,068
Westborough	1,447	2,608	147	4,202
Westminster	767	1,067	50	1,884
Winchendon	621	761	94	1,476
WORCESTER	18,646	20,865	3,894	43,405
TOTALS	83,711	97,093	12,926	193,730

QUESTION 2

Proposed Legislative Amendment to the Constitution

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution summarized below, *which was approved by the General Court in joint sessions of the House of Representatives and the Senate on December 12, 1984 by a vote of 108-79, and on April 16, 1986 by a vote of 107-87?*

SUMMARY

The proposed constitutional amendment would allow the expenditure of public funds for private schools and private school students.

It would remove primary and secondary schools from the list of non-public institutions barred from receiving public aid and would allow public money, property, or loans of credit to be used for founding, maintaining, or aiding those schools. The proposed amendment would also allow public financial aid, materials, or services to be provided to a non-public school student requesting such aid, but only if that school does not discriminate in its entrance requirements on the basis of race, color, national origin, religious belief, sex, or physical handicap. The state legislature would have the power to impose limits on aid, materials, or services provided to students.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Aggregate of Votes				
Barnstable	16,540	50,012	3,182	69,734
Berkshire	13,616	26,333	4,146	44,095
Bristol	43,444	79,800	11,938	135,182
Dukes	913	3,623	229	4,765
Essex	57,375	137,929	11,869	207,173
Franklin	4,370	16,382	990	21,742
Hampden	39,945	67,793	9,709	117,447
Hampshire	10,394	28,728	1,585	40,707
Middlesex	118,468	305,494	29,277	453,239
Nantucket	518	1,520	103	2,141
Norfolk	57,857	141,153	8,994	208,004
Plymouth	30,283	85,768	5,371	121,422
Suffolk	51,756	85,093	21,046	157,895
Worcester	56,691	124,441	12,598	193,730
TOTALS	502,170	1,154,069	121,037	1,777,276
Barnstable County				
Barnstable	3,653	10,253	705	14,611
Bourne	1,360	3,117	381	4,858
Brewster	570	2,371	113	3,054
Chatham	647	2,699	107	3,453
Dennis	1,445	4,022	333	5,800
Eastham	434	1,547	45	2,026
Falmouth	2,516	7,508	414	10,438
Harwich	984	3,133	295	4,412
Mashpee	508	1,298	60	1,866
Orleans	554	2,324	110	2,988
Provincetown	255	1,033	57	1,345
Sandwich	1,062	3,364	97	4,523
Truro	132	586	24	742
Wellfleet	248	959	34	1,241
Yarmouth	2,172	5,798	407	8,377
TOTALS	**16,540**	**50,012**	**3,182**	**69,734**
Berkshire County				
Adams	1,620	1,793	184	3,597
Alford	36	98	2	136
Becket	73	207	28	308
Cheshire	338	717	69	1,124
Clarksburg	143	413	24	580
Dalton	818	1,461	58	2,337
Egremont	91	332	18	441
Florida	55	179	10	244
Great Barrington	501	1,219	275	1,995

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Berkshire County (continued)				
Hancock	41	165	8	214
Hinsdale	161	315	25	501
Lanesborough	265	635	96	996
Lee	533	862	208	1,603
Lenox	501	1,341	178	2,020
Monterey	61	217	4	282
Mt. Washington	7	35	4	46
New Ashford	22	76	4	102
New Marlborough	75	292	23	390
NORTH ADAMS	1,515	3,011	427	4,953
Otis	81	157	17	255
Peru	56	144	7	207
PITTSFIELD	5,133	7,840	2,172	15,145
Richmond	146	424	17	587
Sandisfield	37	102	11	150
Savoy	29	116	10	155
Sheffield	202	673	61	936
Stockbridge	242	636	50	928
Tyringham	36	91	9	136
Washington	43	128	6	177
West Stockbridge	119	334	31	484
Williamstown	575	2,133	98	2,806
Windsor	61	187	12	260
TOTALS	**13,616**	**26,333**	**4,146**	**44,095**
Bristol County				
Acushnet	1,155	2,434	296	3,885
ATTLEBORO	2,586	5,691	519	8,796
Berkley	248	582	38	868
Dartmouth	1,815	5,247	767	7,829
Dighton	358	1,180	87	1,625
Easton	1,190	4,053	120	5,363
Fairhaven	1,473	3,977	839	6,289
FALL RIVER	9,368	10,100	3,553	23,021
Freetown	694	1,461	55	2,210
Mansfield	1,065	2,772	86	3,923

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Essex County (continued)				
Nahant	531	1,048	53	1,632
Newbury	461	1,554	60	2,075
NEWBURYPORT	1,310	3,767	334	5,411
North Andover	2,286	4,788	247	7,321
PEABODY	4,431	11,063	943	16,437
Rockport	497	2,370	93	2,960
Rowley	252	1,086	24	1,362
SALEM	3,831	7,240	812	11,883
Salisbury	391	1,292	130	1,813
Saugus	1,985	5,820	410	8,215
Swampscott	1,117	3,846	311	5,274
Topsfield	414	1,819	33	2,266
Wenham	227	1,002	27	1,256
West Newbury	289	914	23	1,226
TOTALS	**57,375**	**137,929**	**11,869**	**207,173**
Franklin County				
Ashfield	89	490	19	598
Bernardston	102	518	28	648
Buckland	141	471	16	628
Charlemont	77	264	18	359
Colrain	98	381	16	495
Conway	70	453	13	536
Deerfield	330	1,223	34	1,587
Erving	102	384	17	503
Gill	106	367	14	487
Greenfield	1,182	4,053	393	5,628
Hawley	19	87	7	113
Heath	34	165	2	201
Leverett	81	558	8	647
Leyden	33	176	10	219
Monroe	9	41	4	54
Montague	734	1,788	128	2,650
New Salem	50	237	7	294
Northfield	162	770	40	972
Orange	374	1,463	110	1,947
Rowe	40	109	8	157

NEW BEDFORD	9,326	14,235	2,352	25,913
North Attleborough	1,680	3,689	226	5,595
Norton	719	2,272	135	3,117
Raynham	921	2,036	144	3,101
Rehoboth	472	1,681	119	2,272
Seekonk	936	2,490	189	3,615
Somerset	2,036	3,947	518	6,501
Swansea	1,396	2,744	367	4,507
TAUNTON	4,337	6,352	1,159	11,848
Westport	1,678	2,857	369	4,904
TOTALS	**43,444**	**79,800**	**11,938**	**135,182**

Dukes County

Chilmark	72	315	15	402
Edgartown	246	939	82	1,267
Gay Head	17	76	6	99
Gosnold	17	42	—	59
Oak Bluffs	245	815	55	1,115
Tisbury	222	903	54	1,179
West Tisbury	94	533	17	644
TOTALS	**913**	**3,623**	**229**	**4,765**

Essex County

Amesbury	854	2,309	294	3,457
Andover	2,498	6,885	299	9,682
BEVERLY	3,263	8,505	634	12,402
Boxford	420	1,685	25	2,130
Danvers	2,419	5,936	302	8,657
Essex	196	863	40	1,099
Georgetown	348	1,659	64	2,071
GLOUCESTER	1,829	5,610	600	8,039
Groveland	368	1,277	54	1,699
Hamilton	552	1,936	53	2,541
HAVERHILL	4,107	8,266	857	13,230
Ipswich	858	3,074	116	4,048
LAWRENCE	6,219	6,322	1,592	14,133
LYNN	7,248	14,171	1,571	22,990
Lynnfield	1,102	3,461	130	4,693
Manchester	468	1,603	63	2,134
Marblehead	1,353	6,702	154	8,209
Merrimac	316	1,096	50	1,462
Methuen	4,616	7,771	1,419	13,806
Middleton	319	1,189	52	1,560
Shelburne	123	511	15	649
Shutesbury	73	400	8	481
Sunderland	167	646	23	836
Warwick	25	180	13	218
Wendell	51	190	7	248
Whately	98	457	32	587
TOTALS	**4,370**	**16,382**	**990**	**21,742**

Hampden County

Agawam	1,814	4,350	478	6,642
Blandford	74	274	5	353
Brimfield	190	490	24	704
Chester	69	249	11	329
CHICOPEE	7,616	8,917	734	17,267
East Longmeadow	1,217	2,823	241	4,281
Granville	72	313	10	395
Hampden	291	1,052	25	1,368
Holland	117	345	17	479
HOLYOKE	4,300	5,168	1,498	10,966
Longmeadow	1,363	4,521	225	6,109
Ludlow	1,806	3,226	299	5,331
Monson	394	1,773	86	2,253
Montgomery	38	181	3	222
Palmer	1,028	2,209	242	3,479
Russell	96	259	11	366
Southwick	461	1,357	44	1,862
SPRINGFIELD	11,762	16,478	4,673	32,913
Tolland	19	66	1	86
Wales	81	238	11	330
West Springfield	2,598	4,227	478	7,303
WESTFIELD	3,142	6,310	338	9,790
Wilbraham	1,397	2,967	255	4,619
TOTALS	**39,945**	**67,793**	**9,709**	**117,447**

Hampshire County

Amherst	966	5,537	172	6,675
Belchertown	548	1,659	138	2,345
Chesterfield	51	228	8	287
Cummington	38	204	2	244
Easthampton	1,776	2,954	171	4,901
Goshen	51	179	8	238
Granby	458	969	122	1,549
Hadley	424	1,348	92	1,864

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Hampshire County (continued)				
Hatfield	342	833	57	1,232
Huntington	92	338	25	455
Middlefield	33	101	5	139
NORTHAMPTON	2,201	6,586	351	9,138
Pelham	64	429	10	503
Plainfield	28	140	3	171
South Hadley	1,437	3,456	251	5,144
Southampton	412	945	25	1,382
Ware	1,214	1,438	110	2,762
Westhampton	68	408	4	480
Williamsburg	130	700	21	851
Worthington	61	276	10	347
TOTALS	**10,394**	**28,728**	**1,585**	**40,707**
Middlesex County				
Acton	1,060	4,719	153	5,932
Arlington	6,303	13,251	767	20,321
Ashby	110	611	19	740
Ashland	720	2,492	116	3,328
Ayer	411	971	49	1,431
Bedford	839	3,373	203	4,415
Belmont	2,652	8,106	650	11,408
Billerica	2,412	7,057	266	9,735
Boxborough	147	718	13	878
Burlington	2,113	5,439	469	8,021
CAMBRIDGE	6,910	21,687	1,996	30,593
Carlisle	234	1,493	20	1,747
Chelmsford	2,655	7,969	372	10,996
Concord	1,321	4,662	194	6,177
Dracut	2,219	4,389	402	7,010
Dunstable	134	458	17	609
EVERETT	3,582	6,298	1,815	11,695
Framingham	4,407	13,217	699	18,323
Groton	434	1,754	43	2,231
Holliston	921	3,684	121	4,726
Norfolk County (continued)				
Brookline	2,870	14,234	1,322	18,426
Canton	2,337	4,642	196	7,175
Cohasset	740	2,009	81	2,830
Dedham	2,912	5,856	415	9,183
Dover	541	1,611	28	2,180
Foxborough	993	3,461	63	4,517
Franklin	1,167	3,504	274	4,945
Holbrook	1,081	2,436	209	3,726
Medfield	880	3,093	81	4,054
Medway	557	1,961	119	2,637
Millis	469	1,790	52	2,311
Milton	4,046	6,491	389	10,926
Needham	2,979	8,975	419	12,373
Norfolk	484	1,589	34	2,107
Norwood	3,753	5,335	438	9,526
Plainville	497	1,236	58	1,791
QUINCY	9,771	15,185	1,635	26,591
Randolph	2,144	6,786	463	9,393
Sharon	785	4,809	142	5,736
Stoughton	1,847	5,411	543	7,801
Walpole	1,842	4,663	158	6,663
Wellesley	2,602	7,470	343	10,415
Westwood	1,572	3,684	182	5,438
Weymouth	5,100	11,293	639	17,032
Wrentham	587	1,642	84	2,313
TOTALS	**57,857**	**141,153**	**8,994**	**208,004**
Plymouth County				
Abington	1,142	2,853	170	4,165
Bridgewater	948	3,481	270	4,699
BROCKTON	5,968	13,360	1,292	20,620
Carver	677	2,186	78	2,941
Duxbury	981	3,431	104	4,516
East Bridgewater	582	1,933	184	2,699
Halifax	412	1,496	59	1,967

Hopkinton	567	2,153	59	2,779
Hudson	1,262	3,079	140	4,481
Lexington	2,456	9,967	592	13,015
Lincoln	345	1,885	49	2,279
Littleton	568	1,971	66	2,605
LOWELL	8,163	9,200	3,714	21,077
MALDEN	4,780	9,355	1,480	15,615
MARLBOROUGH	2,739	5,571	305	8,615
Maynard	800	2,237	118	3,155
MEDFORD	6,864	11,122	2,253	20,239
MELROSE	3,132	7,595	888	11,615
Natick	2,453	7,565	671	10,689
NEWTON	6,040	22,565	2,117	30,722
North Reading	858	3,211	83	4,152
Pepperell	418	1,790	52	2,260
Reading	1,860	6,383	171	8,414
Sherborn	439	1,519	40	1,998
Shirley	390	744	41	1,175
SOMERVILLE	7,482	14,614	1,694	23,790
Stoneham	2,195	5,017	322	7,534
Stow	393	1,488	28	1,909
Sudbury	1,008	4,162	101	5,271
Tewksbury	2,178	4,894	132	7,204
Townsend	360	1,551	56	1,967
Tyngsborough	578	1,675	74	2,327
Wakefield	2,396	6,230	376	9,002
WALTHAM	4,738	9,472	1,974	16,184
Watertown	3,402	8,566	966	12,934
Wayland	925	3,944	205	5,074
Westford	1,098	3,993	112	5,203
Weston	786	3,393	125	4,304
Wilmington	1,373	3,474	412	5,259
Winchester	2,391	5,870	445	8,706
WOBURN	3,447	6,891	1,032	11,370
TOTALS	**118,468**	**305,494**	**29,277**	**453,239**
Nantucket County				
Nantucket	518	1,520	103	2,141
TOTALS	**518**	**1,520**	**103**	**2,141**
Norfolk County				
Avon	462	1,114	93	1,669
Bellingham	1,007	2,507	175	3,689
Braintree	3,832	8,366	359	12,557
Hanover	952	2,802	99	3,853
Hanson	603	1,707	90	2,400
Hingham	1,927	5,430	232	7,589
Hull	742	1,970	148	2,860
Kingston	644	1,866	150	2,660
Lakeville	497	1,599	79	2,175
Marion	350	1,260	40	1,650
Marshfield	1,653	4,753	221	6,627
Mattapoisett	561	1,892	87	2,540
Middleborough	894	3,357	149	4,400
Norwell	819	2,348	153	3,320
Pembroke	889	2,951	103	3,943
Plymouth	2,898	8,687	824	12,409
Plympton	139	568	23	730
Rochester	304	978	46	1,328
Rockland	1,207	2,607	152	3,966
Scituate	1,773	4,355	116	6,244
Wareham	1,287	3,530	263	5,080
West Bridgewater	526	1,676	79	2,281
Whitman	908	2,692	160	3,760
TOTALS	**30,283**	**85,768**	**5,371**	**121,422**
Suffolk County				
BOSTON	44,191	69,870	18,098	132,159
CHELSEA	2,181	3,573	855	6,609
REVERE	3,603	7,908	1,540	13,051
Winthrop	1,781	3,742	553	6,076
TOTALS	**51,756**	**85,093**	**21,046**	**157,895**
Worcester County				
Ashburnham	259	1,059	45	1,363
Athol	605	2,129	128	2,862
Auburn	1,446	3,502	231	5,179
Barre	323	1,021	87	1,431
Berlin	165	584	26	775
Blackstone	687	1,027	135	1,849
Bolton	197	877	18	1,092
Boylston	320	904	26	1,250
Brookfield	173	600	39	812
Charlton	465	1,300	66	1,831
Clinton	1,393	2,214	285	3,892
Douglas	374	890	68	1,332
Dudley	798	1,326	167	2,291

QUESTION 2

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County (continued)				
East Brookfield	136	431	43	610
FITCHBURG	3,788	5,657	718	10,163
GARDNER	1,777	3,062	597	5,436
Grafton	919	2,454	192	3,565
Hardwick	251	495	47	793
Harvard	313	1,557	21	1,891
Holden	1,111	4,287	244	5,642
Hopedale	360	1,153	59	1,572
Hubbardston	117	513	20	650
Lancaster	336	1,208	48	1,592
Leicester	1,040	2,238	182	3,460
LEOMINSTER	3,411	5,254	828	9,493
Lunenburg	534	2,262	111	2,907
Mendon	214	805	42	1,061
Milford	1,714	4,206	453	6,373
Millbury	1,140	2,385	205	3,730
Millville	213	321	33	567
New Braintree	59	218	10	287
North Brookfield	468	1,019	109	1,596
Northborough	780	3,034	90	3,904
Northbridge	1,220	1,986	326	3,532.00
Oakham	72	339	16	427
Oxford	852	1,783	252	2,887
Paxton	345	1,127	32	1,504
Petersham	134	313	10	457
Phillipston	64	259	8	331
Princeton	179	934	11	1,124
Royalston	50	237	18	305
Rutland	266	956	77	1,299
Shrewsbury	2,466	6,297	529	9,292
Southborough	495	1,863	60	2,418
Southbridge	1,559	2,103	539	4,201
Spencer	1,052	2,088	241	3,381
Sterling	408	1,514	35	1,957
Sturbridge	493	1,172	131	1,796
Sutton	485	1,430	64	1,979
Templeton	443	1,156	72	1,671
Upton	311	1,111	49	1,471
Uxbridge	913	1,707	171	2,791
Warren	350	791	68	1,209
Webster	2,020	1,805	275	4,100
West Boylston	593	1,648	71	2,312
West Brookfield	226	775	67	1,068
Westborough	878	3,219	105	4,202
Westminster	364	1,471	49	1,884
Winchendon	343	1,052	81	1,476
WORCESTER	14,224	25,313	3,868	43,405
TOTALS	**56,691**	**124,441**	**12,598**	**193,730**

QUESTION 3

Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

Do you approve of a law summarized below, *which was disapproved by the House of Representatives on May 6, 1986, by a vote of 49 - 93, and on which no vote was taken by the Senate before May 7, 1986?*

SUMMARY

The proposed law would reduce and then repeal the 7½% surtax on Massachusetts state income taxes and would limit state tax revenue growth to the level of growth in total wages and salaries of the citizens of the state.

It would set the rate of the surtax on Massachusetts state income taxes at 3¾% for tax years beginning during 1986, and it would repeal the surtax for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1987.

The allowable state tax revenues for any fiscal year are limited to the allowable state tax revenues for the prior fiscal year as increased by the average rate of growth of Massachusetts wages and salaries for the three immediately preceding calendar years. For purposes of calculating the proposed limit for fiscal year 1987, allowable state tax revenues for fiscal 1986 are the net tax revenues for that fiscal year, but excluding revenues derived from the surtax on state personal income tax. Further, if in any fiscal year the calculation of the limit results in allowable state tax revenues less than the amount of allowable state tax revenues for the prior year, then allowable state tax revenues for that fiscal year shall be equal to the allowable state tax revenues for the prior year. The revenues limited by this law would not include non-tax revenues such as federal reimbursements, tuitions, fees and earnings on investments.

The amount of allowable state tax revenues for any fiscal year would have to be reduced if a new state law were enacted allowing local governments to impose new or increased taxes or excises. The reduction would be equal to the amount of revenue derived from the new tax or increase. The reduction in state tax revenues would first take effect in the fiscal year following the enactment of the new law authorizing new local taxes or increases.

If state tax revenues exceed the limit imposed by the proposed law, as determined by the State Auditor, a tax credit would have to be granted equal to the total amount of excess tax revenue. The credit would be applied to the then current personal income tax liability of all taxpayers in proportion to their personal income tax liability in the preceding year.

The provisions of this Act could be enforced in court by a group of taxpayers.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Aggregate of Votes				
Barnstable	36,445	27,926	5,363	69,734
Berkshire	22,365	15,576	6,154	44,095
Bristol	67,745	49,237	18,200	135,182
Dukes	1,937	2,381	447	4,765
Essex	100,902	85,996	20,275	207,173
Franklin	9,346	10,656	1,740	21,742
Hampden	56,431	47,433	13,583	117,447
Hampshire	17,161	20,503	3,043	40,707
Middlesex	213,490	194,153	45,596	453,239
Nantucket	1,136	800	205	2,141
Norfolk	105,191	86,111	16,702	208,004
Plymouth	64,916	47,341	9,165	121,422
Suffolk	63,601	65,192	29,102	157,895
Worcester	102,464	71,620	19,646	193,730
TOTALS	863,130	724,925	189,221	1,777,276

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Barnstable	7,787	5,636	1,188	14,611
Bourne	2,533	1,854	471	4,858
Brewster	1,604	1,240	210	3,054
Chatham	1,784	1,471	198	3,453
Dennis	3,007	2,262	531	5,800
Eastham	1,033	886	107	2,026
Falmouth	5,438	4,242	758	10,438
Harwich	2,189	1,793	430	4,412
Mashpee	1,075	680	111	1,866
Orleans	1,524	1,254	210	2,988
Provincetown	631	598	116	1,345
Sandwich	2,555	1,751	217	4,523
Truro	355	345	42	742
Wellfleet	555	608	78	1,241
Yarmouth	4,375	3,306	696	8,377
TOTALS	36,445	27,926	5,363	69,734