



## QUESTION 9

**LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 4, 1994?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would prohibit rent control for most privately owned housing units in Massachusetts, and would nullify certain existing rent control laws, except that cities and towns would be authorized to adopt a restricted form of rent control for a six month period, after which compliance by property owners would be voluntary.

The proposed law would prohibit any city or town from enacting, maintaining or enforcing any law that requires below-market rents for residential properties. It would also prohibit the regulation of occupancy, services, evictions, condominium conversion, or the removal of the unit from rent control, if such

regulation was part of a system requiring below-market rents. Existing state and local rent control laws would be nullified. The proposed law would not affect publicly owned or subsidized housing, federally assisted housing, or mobile homes.

Cities and towns would be authorized to adopt rent control for a six-month period on housing units that have a fair market rent of \$400 or less and that are owned by a person or entity owning ten or more rental units. Such rent control could not include the regulation of occupancy, services, evictions, condominium conversion, or the removal of the unit from rent control. The city or town would have to pay the owners of rent-controlled units the difference between the controlled rent and the fair market rent. After six months, owners of rent-controlled units would not be required to comply with the rent control regulation or with any other such regulation that the city or town might adopt in the future.

The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 1995. The proposed law states that if any of its provisions were declared invalid, the other provisions would remain in effect.

Aggregate of Votes	Yes	%	No	%	Blanks	%	Total Ballots
Barnstable.....	42,705	45.48%	44,213	47.09%	6,981	7.43%	93,899
Berkshire.....	17,281	34.58%	26,120	52.27%	6,566	13.14%	49,967
Bristol.....	69,273	41.76%	74,594	44.97%	21,999	13.26%	165,866
Dukes.....	2,317	38.55%	3,025	50.33%	668	11.11%	6,010
Essex.....	123,649	47.22%	110,855	42.34%	27,340	10.44%	261,844
Franklin.....	12,776	46.68%	12,356	45.14%	2,238	8.18%	27,370
Hampden.....	59,394	39.25%	73,168	48.35%	18,769	12.40%	151,331
Hampshire.....	19,049	34.85%	30,943	56.62%	4,661	8.53%	54,653
Middlesex.....	280,810	50.54%	232,126	41.78%	42,631	7.67%	555,568
Nantucket.....	1,271	42.44%	1,376	45.94%	348	11.62%	2,995
Norfolk.....	133,749	49.57%	116,487	43.17%	19,599	7.26%	269,835
Plymouth.....	83,494	49.75%	68,981	41.11%	15,336	9.14%	167,811
Suffolk.....	71,429	40.89%	76,255	43.65%	26,999	15.46%	174,683
Worcester.....	117,402	46.89%	110,237	44.03%	22,735	9.08%	250,374
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>1,034,599</b>	<b>46.35%</b>	<b>980,736</b>	<b>43.94%</b>	<b>216,870</b>	<b>9.72%</b>	<b>2,232,206</b>

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
<b>Barnstable County</b>				
Barnstable.....	9,253	8,761	1,276	19,290
Bourne.....	2,782	2,925	799	6,506
Brewster.....	2,109	2,176	315	4,600
Chatham.....	1,869	1,754	270	3,893
Dennis.....	3,310	3,524	468	7,302
Eastham.....	1,385	1,150	139	2,674
Falmouth.....	5,840	6,524	1,235	13,599
Harwich.....	2,310	2,799	577	5,686
Mashpee.....	1,889	1,879	221	3,989
Orleans.....	1,691	1,547	302	3,540
Provincetown.....	599	1,031	151	1,781
Sandwich.....	3,798	3,493	450	7,741
Truro.....	347	531	38	916
Wellfleet.....	597	779	89	1,465
Yarmouth.....	5,161	5,105	651	10,917
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>42,705</b>	<b>44,213</b>	<b>6,981</b>	<b>93,899</b>
<b>Berkshire County</b>				
Adams.....	1,199	2,154	414	3,767
Alford.....	58	102	24	184
Becket.....	228	285	47	560
Cheshire.....	496	790	139	1,425
Clarksburg.....	181	460	72	713
Dalton.....	1,004	1,337	255	2,596
Egmont.....	212	283	61	556
Florida.....	92	170	22	284
Great Barrington.....	776	1,363	413	2,552
Hancock.....	90	133	37	260
Hinsdale.....	241	336	57	634
Lanesborough.....	414	550	130	1,094
Lee.....	820	1,081	445	2,346
Lenox.....	927	1,160	335	2,422
Monterey.....	110	220	28	358
Mt. Washington.....	16	41	6	63
New Ashford.....	34	47	10	91
New Marlborough.....	189	231	51	471
NORTH ADAMS.....	1,308	2,795	551	4,654
Otis.....	152	247	50	449
Peru.....	105	139	19	263
PITTSFIELD.....	5,805	7,855	2,593	16,253
Richmond.....	308	401	63	772
Sandisfield.....	98	142	18	258
Savoy.....	68	141	21	230
Sheffield.....	455	664	104	1,223
Stockbridge.....	414	577	108	1,099
Tyringham.....	80	78	23	181
<b>Berkshire County (continued)</b>				
Washington.....	92	125	16	233
West Stockbridge.....	229	334	69	632
Williamstown.....	951	1,682	348	2,981
Windsor.....	129	197	37	363
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>17,281</b>	<b>26,120</b>	<b>6,566</b>	<b>49,967</b>
<b>Bristol County</b>				
Acushnet.....	1,618	1,672	485	3,775
Attleboro.....	4,529	6,111	919	11,559
Berkley.....	739	746	136	1,621
Dartmouth.....	4,310	4,096	1,485	9,891
Dighton.....	874	1,131	210	2,215
Easton.....	4,583	3,179	530	8,292
Fairhaven.....	2,548	2,468	878	5,894
FALL RIVER.....	9,223	10,625	5,719	25,567
Freetown.....	1,398	1,463	213	3,074
Mansfield.....	3,607	3,025	455	7,087
NEW BEDFORD.....	10,868	11,351	3,399	25,618
North Attleborough.....	3,736	4,168	879	8,783
North Duxbury.....	2,181	2,609	370	5,160
Raynham.....	1,943	2,034	392	4,369
Rehoboth.....	1,448	1,660	266	3,374
Seekonk.....	2,213	2,389	455	5,057
Somerset.....	3,267	3,815	879	7,961
Swansea.....	2,488	2,811	801	6,100
TAUNTON.....	5,456	6,956	2,662	15,074
Westport.....	2,244	2,285	866	5,395
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>69,273</b>	<b>74,594</b>	<b>21,999</b>	<b>165,866</b>
<b>Dukes County</b>				
Chilmark.....	148	225	48	421
Edgartown.....	602	670	164	1,436
Gay Head.....	36	81	20	137
Gosnold.....	27	37	7	71
Oak Bluffs.....	587	703	170	1,460
Tisbury.....	530	771	156	1,457
West Tisbury.....	387	538	103	1,028
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>2,317</b>	<b>3,025</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>6,010</b>
<b>Essex County</b>				
Amesbury.....	2,318	2,468	508	5,294
Andover.....	7,852	5,307	795	13,954
BEVERLY.....	7,074	7,589	1,589	15,919
Boxford.....	2,123	1,057	227	3,407
Danvers.....	4,924	4,839	983	10,746
Essex.....	812	672	97	1,581

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
<b>Essex County (continued)</b>								
Georgetown	1,392	1,236	325	2,953				
GLOUCESTER	4,837	5,074	1,383	11,294				
Groveland	1,179	1,047	173	2,399				
Hamilton	1,740	1,326	323	3,389				
HAVERHILL	7,740	7,829	2,059	17,628				
Ipswich	2,869	2,626	466	5,961				
LAWRENCE	4,785	5,365	1,875	12,015				
LYNN	11,600	10,658	3,521	25,779				
Lynnfield	3,207	1,040	1,731	5,978				
Manchester	1,400	1,089	219	2,708				
Marblehead	5,523	4,073	854	10,450				
Merrimac	950	1,021	147	2,118				
Methuen	7,072	6,406	2,011	15,489				
Middleton	1,177	935	230	2,342				
Nahant	1,054	779	175	2,008				
Newbury	1,508	1,328	229	3,065				
NEWBURYPORT	3,523	3,588	744	7,855				
North Andover	5,699	3,777	754	10,230				
PEABODY	9,041	9,364	1,541	19,946				
Rockport	1,727	1,736	277	3,740				
Rowley	1,058	911	150	2,119				
SALEM	5,948	6,973	1,531	14,452				
Salisbury	1,187	1,288	148	2,603				
Saugus	5,431	4,586	1,229	11,246				
Swampscott	3,466	2,606	615	6,687				
Topshild	1,618	1,080	187	2,885				
Wenham	912	742	110	1,764				
West Newbury	923	783	134	1,840				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>123,649</b>	<b>110,855</b>	<b>27,340</b>	<b>261,844</b>				
<b>Franklin County</b>								
Ashfield	323	397	71	791				
Barnardston	410	365	67	842				
Buckland	374	359	63	796				
Charlemont	206	190	28	424				
Colrain	294	294	46	634				
Conway	303	415	66	784				
Deerfield	1,052	967	130	2,149				
Erving	287	250	39	576				
Gill	291	269	47	607				
Greenfield	3,296	2,621	642	6,559				
Hawley	60	41	12	113				
Heath	139	124	18	281				
Leverett	336	476	62	874				
Leyden	143	143	30	316				
Monroe			4	4				
<b>Hampshire County (continued)</b>								
Middlefield	66	107	13	186				
NORTHAMPTON	3,666	7,242	917	11,825				
Pertham	225	416	45	686				
Plainfield	86	145	22	253				
South Hadley	2,695	3,734	842	7,271				
Southampton	812	1,168	147	2,127				
Ware	1,448	1,874	359	3,681				
Westhampton	282	340	61	683				
Williamsburg	373	667	80	1,120				
Worthington	200	297	35	532				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>19,049</b>	<b>30,943</b>	<b>4,661</b>	<b>54,653</b>				
<b>Middlesex County</b>								
Action	4,457	3,741	450	8,648				
Arlington	11,675	8,695	1,324	21,694				
Ashby	546	496	71	1,113				
Ashland	2,615	2,255	474	5,344				
Ayer	853	915	131	1,869				
Bedford	2,877	2,370	341	5,588				
Belmont	7,832	4,304	920	13,056				
Billerica	6,906	6,077	671	13,654				
Boxborough	875	793	97	1,765				
Burlington	5,435	3,842	577	9,854				
CAMBRIDGE	13,309	18,631	1,604	33,544				
Carlisle	1,408	858	103	2,369				
Chelmsford	7,290	6,120	887	14,297				
Concord	4,120	3,466	606	8,192				
Dracut	4,634	4,787	1,108	10,529				
Dunstable	563	424	63	1,050				
EVERETT	5,680	4,766	1,664	12,122				
Frammingham	11,232	10,264	1,771	23,267				
Groton	1,892	1,479	233	3,604				
Holliston	3,090	2,707	501	6,298				
Hopkinton	2,463	1,929	273	4,665				
Hudson	3,123	2,991	507	6,621				
Lexington	8,037	6,302	1,134	15,473				
Lincoln	1,488	1,077	188	2,753				
Littleton	1,843	1,283	221	3,347				
LOWELL	10,392	10,278	3,109	23,779				
MALDEN	8,499	6,758	1,979	17,236				
MARLBOROUGH	5,749	5,139	1,042	11,930				
Maynard	2,030	2,059	327	4,416				
MEDFORD	11,967	8,475	1,683	22,125				
MELROSE	7,181	5,073	748	13,002				
Natick	6,518	6,018	1,238	13,774				

Montague	1,537	1,340	230	3,107	18,439	15,343	3,390	37,172
New Salem	187	164	29	380	3,198	2,310	390	5,898
Northfield	654	527	121	1,302	1,928	1,658	244	3,830
Orange	1,101	1,144	162	2,407	6,265	4,156	523	10,944
Rowe	75	81	15	171	1,284	810	157	2,247
Sheburne	411	325	73	809	887	952	117	1,956
Shutesbury	236	468	73	777	10,633	10,304	1,352	22,289
Sunderland	461	619	72	1,152	4,949	3,590	713	9,252
Warwick	130	134	34	298	1,505	1,183	152	2,840
Wendell	115	207	25	347	4,016	2,956	536	7,508
Whately	342	408	79	829	5,818	4,563	548	10,929
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>12,776</b>	<b>12,356</b>	<b>2,238</b>	<b>27,370</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>3,014</b>
<b>Hampden County</b>					<b>1,636</b>	<b>1,443</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>3,313</b>
Agawam	4,477	5,694	1,295	11,466	6,004	4,678	899	11,581
Blandford	204	272	29	505	9,620	7,095	1,920	18,635
Brimfield	589	611	70	1,270	7,227	5,443	947	13,617
Chester	193	255	37	485	3,491	2,598	418	6,507
CHICOPEE	7,575	10,141	1,757	19,473	4,067	3,317	604	7,988
East Longmeadow	2,726	3,112	547	6,385	3,322	1,798	320	5,441
Granville	243	262	63	568	4,290	3,131	627	8,048
Hampden	921	1,069	166	2,156	6,539	3,482	657	10,678
Holland	387	381	48	816	7,696	5,622	1,585	14,903
HOLYOKE	4,287	5,569	1,948	11,804	280,810	232,126	42,631	555,568
Longmeadow	3,750	3,313	646	7,709	3,322	1,798	320	5,441
Ludlow	2,960	3,557	931	7,048	4,290	3,131	627	8,048
Monson	1,193	1,532	313	3,038	6,539	3,482	657	10,678
Montgomery	135	199	22	356	7,696	5,622	1,585	14,903
Palmer	1,670	2,492	428	4,590	280,810	232,126	42,631	555,568
Russell	220	283	28	531	3,322	1,798	320	5,441
Southwick	1,233	1,463	245	2,941	4,290	3,131	627	8,048
SPRINGFIELD	14,244	17,966	7,030	39,240	6,539	3,482	657	10,678
Tolland	77	55	17	149	9,188	11,689	1,088	21,965
Wales	237	299	37	573	4,843	3,697	796	9,336
West Springfield	3,978	4,955	1,261	10,194	2,002	1,441	365	3,808
WESTFIELD	5,673	6,860	1,207	13,740	5,513	4,471	1,001	10,985
Wilbraham	2,822	2,828	644	6,294	1,670	934	180	2,784
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>59,394</b>	<b>73,168</b>	<b>18,769</b>	<b>151,331</b>	<b>3,472</b>	<b>2,951</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>6,786</b>
<b>Hampshire County</b>					<b>4,623</b>	<b>4,509</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>9,631</b>
Amherst	2,407	4,648	723	7,778	2,059	2,068	318	4,445
Belchertown	1,495	2,273	392	4,160	2,974	2,116	310	5,400
Chesterfield	161	248	36	445	2,151	1,991	317	4,459
Cummington	112	237	27	376	1,566	1,590	209	3,365
Easthampton	2,292	3,594	415	6,301	7,027	4,846	708	12,581
Goshen	107	200	28	335	7,902	6,035	767	14,704
Granby	907	1,192	190	2,289	1,962	1,555	194	3,711
Hadley	828	1,260	165	2,253	5,945	5,277	1,217	12,439
Hatfield	594	911	130	1,635	1,115	1,321	149	2,585
Huntington	293	390	34	717	15,656	13,919	2,830	32,405
<b>Nantucket County</b>					<b>1,271</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>2,995</b>
Nantucket	1,271	1,376	348	2,995	1,271	1,376	348	2,995
<b>Total for County</b>					<b>1,271</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>2,995</b>
<b>Norfolk County</b>					<b>1,046</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>2,161</b>
Avon	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	7,998	6,532	807	15,337
Bellingham	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	9,188	11,689	1,088	21,965
Braintree	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	4,843	3,697	796	9,336
Brockline	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	2,002	1,441	365	3,808
Canton	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	5,513	4,471	1,001	10,985
Cohasset	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	1,670	934	180	2,784
Dedham	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	3,472	2,951	363	6,786
Dover	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	4,623	4,509	699	9,631
Foxborough	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	2,059	2,068	318	4,445
Franklin	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	2,974	2,116	310	5,400
Holbrook	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	2,151	1,991	317	4,459
Medfield	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	1,566	1,590	209	3,365
Medway	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	7,027	4,846	708	12,581
Millic	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	7,902	6,035	767	14,704
Milton	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	1,962	1,555	194	3,711
Norfolk	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	5,945	5,277	1,217	12,439
Norwood	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	1,115	1,321	149	2,585
Plainville	2,317	2,599	585	5,501	15,656	13,919	2,830	32,405
QUINCY	2,317	2,599	585	5,501				





**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Ashland be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to finance architectural design and engineering plans for expansion and construction of school facilities?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Ashland .....	2,686	2,075	583	5,344

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Barnstable withdraw from the Cape Cod commission? in the town of Barnstable.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable .....	7,792	10,302	1,196	19,290

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Belmont be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct, equip and furnish a replacement of the Cheney Middle School?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Belmont .....	7,357	4,649	1,050	13,056

**QUESTION 10**

Do you approve of the following loan order which was adopted by the city council on June twenty-first, nineteen hundred and ninety four by a vote of eight yeas and one nay and approved by the mayor on June twenty-second, nineteen hundred and ninety-four?

ORDERED. That the sum of \$9, 113, 000 be and hereby is appropriated for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new police station, including site acquisition and other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the City Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is hereby authorized to borrow at one time or from time to time a sum not exceeding \$9,113,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 (3), of the General Laws, as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue and sell bonds or notes of the City therefor?

in the city of Fall River.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
FALL RIVER .....	12,850	9,138	3,579	25,567

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Holliston be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond to be issued in order to finance the construction of public ways or the extension or widening thereof, including land damages and the cost of pavement and sidewalks laid at the time of said construction, or for the construction of stone, block, brick, cement concrete, bituminous concrete, bituminous macadam or other pavement of similar lasting character, or for macadam pavement or other road material?

in the town of Holliston.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Holliston .....	2,325	2,752	1,221	6,298



**QUESTION 10**

Shall the city of Gardner be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct, renovate and furnish new and existing public schools in the city of Gardner, and all other costs associated therewith?  
in the city of Gardner.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
GARDNER .....	2,065	3,802	684	6,551

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Holland be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to design the Mashapaug/Brimfield Road reconstruction?  
in the town of Holland.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Holland .....	366	386	64	816

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Lee be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to design, develop, construct and equip a municipal golf course, including land acquisition, clubhouse and related structures?  
in the town of Lee.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Lee .....	933	1,027	386	2,346

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Berkley be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds to be issued in order to construct a solid waste and recycling facility and transfer center?  
in the town of Berkley.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Berkley .....	691	784	146	1,621

**QUESTION 10**

Shall a restaurant license be granted in the town of Bolton to Rich House, Inc., for the sale of all alcoholic beverages, to be consumed on the premises?  
in the town of Bolton.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Bolton .....	1,055	524	83	1,662

**QUESTION 11**

Shall the town of Lee be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct a water treatment plant and related appurtenances and for the purchase and installation of water meters?

in the town of Lee.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Lee .....	447	1,471	428	2,346

**QUESTION 10**

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and ninety-four entitled "An Act amending the Charter of the City of Lowell" be accepted? in the city of Lowell.

**SUMMARY OF ACT TO AMEND CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LOWELL**

This proposed law provides for changes in the Charter of the City of Lowell. The Charter would be amended to vest the Chief Executive power of the City of Lowell in a Mayor elected by and from the qualified voters of the City. The Mayor would also have veto power over ordinances, resolutions, orders and votes adopted or passed by the City Council. The Mayor's veto may be overridden by a two-thirds vote of the City Council. If the Mayor does not return a vote, order, resolution or ordinance to the City Council with his/her written objection to it within ten (10) days after it is presented to him/her, it shall take effect. The Mayor would receive the same salary as was paid to the City Manager under the Plan E Charter. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor during the first twelve months of his/her term, the City Council will order a special election to fill the vacancy. If a vacancy occurs in the office of the Mayor during the last twelve months of his/her term, the chairperson of the City Council will perform the duties of Mayor for the remainder of the term, except that s/he would not be able to make permanent appointments to city departments.

The government of the City of Lowell would continue to be vested in nine (9) City Councilors elected at large for two (2) year terms. The City Council member who received the highest number of votes at the general municipal election would

**QUESTION 11**

Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and ninety-four entitled "An Act amending the charter of the city of Lowell to impose limitations on the terms of office of all city of Lowell elected public officials" be accepted? in the city of Lowell.

**SUMMARY OF ACT AMENDING CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LOWELL TO IMPOSE TERM LIMITATIONS ON ALL CITY OF LOWELL ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIALS**

Under this proposed law, no individual would be able to serve as a member of the School Committee of the City of Lowell, as a member of the City Council of the City of Lowell, or as Mayor elected by the registered voters of the City of Lowell for more than a total of four (4), consecutive or non-consecutive, two (2)-year terms.

If accepted by the voters of the City of Lowell, this proposed law would take effect on the first Monday in January, 1996.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
LOWELL .....	12,160	7,914	3,705	23,779

**QUESTION 12**

Do you approve of the expenditure of public funds by the city of Lowell for the purpose of participating in the construction and/or development of the proposed multi-purpose sports arena in the city of Lowell for use by the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, the city and other public and private users? in the city of Lowell.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
LOWELL .....	10,647	9,763	3,369	23,779

**QUESTION 10**

Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and ninety-four, entitled "An Act providing that the Mayor of the city of Melrose be a voting member of the school committee, the school committee be reduced from nine to seven, and that each of the other six members be elected for four years on a staggered basis, three members every two years", be accepted? in the city of Melrose.

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would amend the Charter of the City of Melrose, causing three specific changes to the current election process. (1) The person serving as Mayor of Melrose would become a full member of the School Committee. (2) The total number of School Committee members would be reduced from nine to seven. Six members would be elected and one member would be the Mayor. (3) In the city election of 1995, the six elected members of the School Committee will be those receiving the highest number of votes. The three elected members receiving the most votes in that election shall serve terms of four years. The three elected members receiving the fewest votes shall serve terms of two years. In regular city elections in 1997 (and every two years thereafter), there would be three vacancies on the School Committee caused by the expiration of the terms of its members.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
MELROSE . . . . .	5,734	5,741	1,527	13,002

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the city of Northampton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the principal and interest on the bond and bond anticipation notes in order to expand and renovate the John F. Kennedy Middle School, with a swimming pool? in the city of Northampton.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
NORTHAMPTON . . . . .	6,238	4,780	807	11,825

serve as Chairperson of the City Council and the Council member who received the second highest number of votes at the general municipal election would serve as Vice-Chairperson of the Lowell City Council. The Chairperson of the City Council would receive the same salary as was paid to the Mayor under the Plan E Charter.

The School Committee would consist of seven (7) members elected at large for two (2) year terms. The School Committee member who received the highest number of votes at the general municipal election would serve as the Chairperson of the School Committee. The member who received the second highest number of votes at the general municipal election would serve as the Vice-Chairperson of the School Committee. The Chairperson of the School Committee would receive the same salary as the other members of the School Committee. The general management and conduct of the public schools of the City of Lowell is vested in the School Committee.

A vacancy in the City Council or School Committee would be filled by whichever of the defeated candidates received the highest number of votes in the last regular municipal election, and is eligible and willing to fill the vacancy.

If accepted by the voters of the City of Lowell, this proposed law would take effect for the October 10, 1995 preliminary election for nominations, the November 7, 1995 regular city elections, and, for all other purposes, on the first Monday in January, 1996.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
LOWELL . . . . .	9,283	10,736	3,760	23,779

**QUESTION 10**

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year nineteen hundred and ninety-four, entitled "An act establishing a board of selectmen-town manager form of administration in the town of Sudbury", be accepted?

**SUMMARY**

The proposed law is a special act of the legislature applicable to the Town of Sudbury, which would change the form of town administration to a Selectmen-Town Manager form of government. The act transfers a portion of the authority of the Selectmen and other elected officials to the Town Manager, and would change the status of certain elected officials to positions appointed by the Town Manager under the policy direction of the Selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen will be the chief executive officers of the Town, and shall be the chief policy making board of the Town for all subordinate boards and officials. The Selectmen shall appoint a Town Manager, Town Counsel, Town Accountant, and all boards and committees not otherwise provided by law.

The act provides for the appointment of the Town Clerk and Highway Surveyor by the Town Manager and the appointment of Constables by the Board of Selectmen. The administrative functions of the Board of Assessors, including the appointment of a Director of Assessing, and the administration of the departments under elected boards other than Health and School would be placed under the Town Manager.

The financial, personnel and administrative functions of the Town will be vested in the Town Manager as the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town. The Town Manager, appointed at the pleasure of the Board of Selectmen, will appoint all officials and employees of the Town and shall award all contracts for the Town except those of the School or Health Departments.

The legislative powers of the Town shall continue to be exercised by a Town Meeting open to all voters of the Town.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total
Sudbury .....	3,596	3,299	613	7,508

**QUESTION 11**

Shall the city of Northampton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the principal and interest on the bond and bond anticipation notes in order to expand and renovate the John F. Kennedy Middle School, without a swimming pool? in the city of Northampton.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total
NORTHAMPTON ...	6,789	3,958	1,078	11,825

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Rutland be allowed to assess an additional \$28,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of operation and maintenance of town pool for the fiscal year beginning July first nineteen hundred and ninety-four? in the town of Rutland.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total
Rutland .....	918	935	179	2,032

**QUESTION 11**

Shall the town of Rutland be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to engineer and construct a Town Pool? in the town of Rutland.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total
Rutland .....	878	967	187	2,032

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of West Springfield be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond to be issued in order to finance the construction of a new middle school, including original equipment and furnishings?  
in the town of West Springfield.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
West Springfield . . . . .	2,140	5,696	2,358	10,194

**QUESTION 10**

Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?  
in the town of Westhampton.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Westhampton . . . . .	246	412	25	683

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Whately be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the Town's apportioned share of the amounts required to pay for the bond issued by the Frontier Regional School District in order to construct, reconstruct, add to and equip the Regional School in Deerfield?  
in the town of Whately.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Whately . . . . .	529	285	15	829

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Seekonk be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to permanently close the former Seekonk Landfill and to provide for post-closure monitoring of said site?  
in the town of Seekonk.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Seekonk . . . . .	2,310	2,156	591	5,057

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of South Hadley be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct additions, reconstruct, remodel and make extraordinary repairs, including furnishings, equipment and related items at the South Hadley Middle School?  
in the town of South Hadley.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
South Hadley . . . . .	3,065	3,755	451	7,271

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the town of Spencer be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amount required to pay for the bond issued in order to install an elevator for handicapped access at Maple Street School?  
in the town of Spencer.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Spencer . . . . .	1,729	1,805	404	3,938

**QUESTION 10**

Shall the board of selectmen of the town of Yarmouth be directed to petition the general court to amend the provisions of chapter seven hundred and sixteen of the acts of nineteen hundred and eighty-nine to exempt and remove the town of Yarmouth from the provisions of said chapter seven hundred and sixteen establishing the Cape Cod commission?  
in the town of Yarmouth.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Yarmouth .....	4,880	5,589	448	10,917

**QUESTION 10**

Shall a Charter Study Commission be created to study the present governmental structure of Plymouth County to consider and make findings concerning the form of government and make recommendations thereon?  
in the County of Plymouth.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Abington .....	1,888	2,534	1,446	5,868
Bridgewater .....	2,073	2,902	2,165	7,140
BROCKTON .....	6,565	10,064	7,261	23,890
Carver .....	1,729	1,800	581	4,110
Duxbury .....	2,375	3,071	1,395	6,841
East Bridgewater .....	1,136	1,965	1,254	4,355
Halifax .....	922	1,298	493	2,713
Hanover .....	1,767	2,407	1,471	5,645
Hanson .....	1,245	1,740	765	3,750
Hingham .....	3,381	4,327	2,425	10,133
Hull .....	1,313	1,737	1,287	4,337
Kingston .....	1,308	1,765	887	3,960
Lakeville .....	1,427	1,461	607	3,495
Marion .....	845	885	378	2,108
Marshfield .....	3,566	4,384	1,807	9,757
Mattapoisett .....	1,098	1,181	696	2,975
Middleborough .....	1,910	2,797	1,181	5,888
Norwell .....	1,628	1,948	1,139	4,715

**QUESTION 11 or 13**  
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Do you approve of an amendment to the laws of the commonwealth to permit the abolishment of County Government in Berkshire County, thereby authorizing the commonwealth to assume responsibility for the operation of jails, courthouses and registries of deeds.?

in the county of Berkshire this will be Question 11, except in Lee this will be Question 13.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Adams .....	968	2,266	533	3,767
Alford .....	70	82	32	184
Becket .....	188	288	84	560
Cheshire .....	465	808	152	1,425
Clarksburg .....	160	495	58	713
Dalton .....	991	1,228	377	2,596
Egremont .....	201	274	81	556
Florida .....	70	189	25	284
Great Barrington .....	974	907	671	2,552
Hancock .....	95	134	31	260
Hinsdale .....	255	317	62	634
Lanesborough .....	383	537	174	1,094
Lee .....	774	990	582	2,346
Lenox .....	958	1,021	443	2,422
Monterey .....	132	178	48	358
Mt. Washington .....	20	32	11	63
New Ashford .....	40	46	5	91
New Marlborough .....	143	260	68	471
NORTH ADAMS .....	1,115	2,968	571	4,654
Otis .....	143	254	52	449
Peru .....	99	134	30	263
PITTSFIELD .....	6,486	6,297	3,470	16,253
Richmond .....	336	369	67	772
Sandisfield .....	96	125	37	258
Savoy .....	59	148	23	230
Sheffield .....	406	643	174	1,223
Stockbridge .....	467	495	137	1,099
Tyringham .....	76	80	25	181
Washington .....	85	131	17	233

West Stockbridge . . .	254	219	87	560
Williamstown . . . . .	959	1,522	500	2,981
Windsor . . . . .	112	206	45	363
<b>TOTALS . . . . .</b>	<b>17,580</b>	<b>23,643</b>	<b>8,672</b>	<b>49,895</b>

Pembroke . . . . .	2,116	2,784	1,239	6,139
Plymouth . . . . .	3,923	6,996	6,026	16,945
Plympton . . . . .	464	503	166	1,133
Rochester . . . . .	600	704	463	1,767
Rockland . . . . .	2,220	2,925	1,198	6,343
Scituate . . . . .	2,879	3,763	2,102	8,744
Wareham . . . . .	2,804	2,725	1,366	6,895
West Bridgewater . . .	950	1,506	613	3,069
Whitman . . . . .	1,896	2,457	743	5,096
<b>TOTALS . . . . .</b>	<b>54,028</b>	<b>72,629</b>	<b>41,154</b>	<b>167,811</b>

**QUESTION 11**

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall Riverside Park in the city known as the town of Agawam be permitted to have a casino gambling facility on its property?

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
AGAWAM . . . . .	3,383	7,513	570	11,466

**QUESTION 10**

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall casino gambling be permitted in the city of Springfield?  
in the city of Springfield.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
SPRINGFIELD . . . . .	16,871	17,848	4,521	39,240

**QUESTION 10, 11, 12, 14**  
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation requiring the construction of a Western Bypass Alternative road in Pittsfield with a connection to the Massachusetts Turnpike as described in the 1993 Berkshire County Transportation Plan?

in the First Berkshire this will be Question 12;  
in the Second Berkshire Representative District this will be:  
Question 10 in Ashfield, Buckland, Goshen, Huntington, Shelburne;  
Question 11 in Charlemont, Chester, Cummington, Hawley, Middlefield, Monroe, Plainfield, Rowe;  
Question 12 in Becket, Cheshire, Dalton, Hancock, Hinsdale, Lanesborough, New Ashford, Peru, Pittsfield Ward 1, pct B, Richmond, Washington, Windsor;  
in the Third Berkshire and the Fourth Berkshire Representative Districts this will be Question 12, except in Lee this will be Question 14.

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
<b>First Berkshire District</b>				
Adams .....	2,744	560	463	3,767
Clarksburg .....	606	82	25	713
Florida .....	221	41	22	284
<b>NORTH ADAMS</b> .....	<b>3,732</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>4,654</b>
Savoy .....	145	64	21	230
Williamstown .....	1,891	645	445	2,981
<b>TOTALS</b> .....	<b>9,339</b>	<b>1,863</b>	<b>1,427</b>	<b>12,629</b>

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
<b>Second Berkshire District</b>				
Ashfield .....	316	270	205	791
Becket .....	265	217	78	560
Buckland .....	306	291	199	796
Charlemont .....	199	127	98	424
Cheshire .....	1,060	224	141	1,425
Chester .....	259	154	72	485
Cummington .....	207	99	70	376
Dalton .....	1,688	575	333	2,596

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
<b>Fourth Berkshire District</b>				
Alford .....	77	74	33	184
Egremont .....	243	230	83	556
Great Barrington .....	1,004	899	649	2,552
Lee .....	966	791	589	2,346
Lenox .....	1,216	797	409	2,422
Monterey .....	174	135	49	358
Mt. Washington .....	26	29	8	63
New Marlborough .....	211	185	75	471
Otis .....	206	189	54	449
<b>PITTSFIELD</b> .....	<b>1,894</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>2,955</b>
Sandisfield .....	151	71	36	258
Sheffield .....	584	447	192	1,223
Stockbridge .....	339	669	91	1,099
Tyringham .....	98	61	22	181
West Stockbridge .....	300	244	88	632
<b>TOTALS</b> .....	<b>7,489</b>	<b>5,441</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>15,749</b>



**QUESTION 10 or 12**  
THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the senator from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation to place on the statewide ballot a nonbinding question to determine whether the people favor:

Establishing ongoing gun victim compensation and gun buy-back programs, with all guns destroyed after the buy-back, to be financed by an extra sales tax on all guns and ammunition, an annual excise tax on guns, and an annual permit fee on persons licensed to carry guns;

Calling upon the United States Congress to prohibit mail-order purchases and sales of all guns and ammunition within the United States; and

Requiring non-residents of Massachusetts, while they are within the state, to comply with the same laws for purchase, sale, possession, and use of guns and ammunition as apply to residents?

in the Berkshire, Hampden, Hampshire & Franklin Senatorial District this will be Question 10, except in Lee this will be Question 12.

Goshen.....	171	88	76	335
Hancock.....	150	76	34	260
Hawley.....	54	33	26	113
Hinsdale.....	404	174	56	634
Huntington.....	399	209	109	717
Lanesborough.....	656	277	161	1,094
Middlefield.....	114	56	16	186
Monroe.....	16	17	12	45
New Ashford.....	62	24	5	91
Peru.....	174	61	28	263
PITTSFIELD.....	688	364	314	1366
Plainfield.....	129	76	48	253
Richmond.....	421	298	53	772
Rowe.....	70	80	21	171
Shelburne.....	292	292	225	809
Washington.....	129	84	20	233
Windsor.....	237	97	29	363
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>8,466</b>	<b>4,263</b>	<b>2,429</b>	<b>15,158</b>

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
<b>Third Berkshire District</b>				
PITTSFIELD.....	6,202	3,345	2,385	11,932
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>6,202</b>	<b>3,345</b>	<b>2,385</b>	<b>11,932</b>

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Adams.....	1,792	1,450	525	3,767
Alford.....	86	68	30	184
Becket.....	282	214	64	560
Cheshire.....	765	529	131	1,425
Clarksburg.....	288	390	35	713
Dalton.....	1,584	687	325	2,596
Egremont.....	322	173	61	556
Florida.....	96	164	24	284
Granville.....	236	255	77	568
Great Barrington.....	1,262	728	562	2,552
Hancock.....	142	92	26	260
Hinsdale.....	370	207	57	634
Lanesborough.....	604	349	141	1,094
Lee.....	1,193	756	397	2,346
Lenox.....	1,530	496	396	2,422
Monterey.....	235	88	35	358
Mt. Washington.....	40	15	8	63
New Ashford.....	39	43	9	91