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QUESTION 2

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 1, 2002?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would replace the current state law providing for transitional bilingual education in public schools with a law requiring that, with limited exceptions, all public school children must be taught English by being taught all subjects in English and being placed in English language classrooms.

The proposed law would require public schools to educate English learners (children who cannot do ordinary classwork in English and who either do not speak English or whose native language is not English) through a sheltered English immersion program, normally not lasting more than one year. In the program, all books and nearly all teaching would be in English, with the curriculum designed for children learning English, although a teacher could use a minimal amount of a child's native language when necessary. Schools would be encouraged to place in the same classroom children who are from different native-language groups but who have the same level of English skills. Once a student is able to do regular schoolwork in English, the student would be transferred to an English language mainstream classroom. These requirements would not affect special education programs for physically or mentally impaired students or foreign language classes for children who already know English.

Parents or guardians of certain children could apply each year to have the requirements waived, so as to place their child in bilingual education or other classes, if the parents or guardians visit the school to be informed, in a language they can understand, about all available options. To obtain a waiver, the child must either (1) already know English; or (2) be at least 10 years old, and the school principal and staff believe that another course of study would be better for the child's educational progress and rapid learning of English; or (3) have special physical or psychological needs (other than lack of English skills), have already spent 30 days in an English language classroom during that school year, the school principal and staff document their belief that the child's special needs make another course of study better for the

party, and could not be elected to a school committee or employed in the public schools for 5 years. Parents or guardians of a child who received a waiver based on special needs could sue if, before the child reaches age 18, they discover that the application for a waiver was induced by fraud or intentional misrepresentation and injured the child's education.

All English learners in grades kindergarten and up would take annual standardized tests of English skills. All English learners in grades 2 and up would take annual written standardized tests, in English, of academic subjects. Severely learning disabled students could be exempted from the tests. Individual scores would be released only to parents, but aggregate scores, school and school district rankings, the number of English learners in each school and district, and related data would be made public.

The proposed law would provide, subject to the state Legislature's appropriation, \$5 million each year for 10 years for school committees to provide free or low-cost English language instruction to adults who pledged to tutor English learners.

The proposed law would replace the current law, under which a school committee must establish a transitional bilingual education program for any 20 or more enrolled children of the same language group who cannot do ordinary classwork in English and whose native language is not English or whose parents do not speak English. In that program, schools must teach all required courses in both English and the child's native language; teach both the native language and English; and teach the history and culture of both the native land of the child's parents and the United States. Teaching of non-required subjects may be in a language other than English, and for subjects where verbalization is not essential (such as art or music), the child must participate in regular classes with English-speaking students.

Under the current law, a child stays in the program for 3 years or until the child can perform successfully in English-only classes, whichever occurs first. A test of the child's English skills is given each year. A school committee may not transfer a child out of the program before the third year unless the parents approve and the child has received an English-skills test score appropriate to the child's grade level. A child may stay in the program longer than 3 years if the school committee and the parent or guardian approve.

Parents must be informed of their child's enrollment in the program and have the right to withdraw their child from the program.

The proposed law's testing requirements would take effect immediately, and its other requirements would govern all school years beginning after the proposed law's effective date. The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would require that, with limited exceptions, all public school children must be taught English by being taught all subjects in English and being placed in English language classrooms.

A NO VOTE would make no changes in English language education in public schools.

child's educational progress and rapid learning of English, and the school superintendent approves the waiver. If 20 or more students in one grade level at a school receive waivers, the school would have to offer either bilingual education classes providing instruction in both the student's native language and English or classes using other generally recognized educational methodologies permitted by law. In other cases, a student receiving a waiver would have to be allowed to transfer to a school offering such classes.

A parent or guardian could sue to enforce the proposed law and, if successful, would receive attorney's fees, costs and compensatory money damages. Any school employee, school committee member or other elected official or administrator who willfully and repeatedly refused to implement the proposed law could be personally ordered to pay such fees, costs, and damages; could not be reimbursed for that payment by any public or private

Aggregate of Votes	Yes	%	No	%	Blanks	%	Total Ballots
BARNSTABLE	68,335	66.45%	26,804	26.06%	7,701	7.49%	102,840
BERKSHIRE	20,415	46.48%	15,638	35.61%	7,866	17.91%	43,919
BRISTOL	95,184	59.49%	47,200	29.50%	17,605	11.00%	159,989
DUKES	3,962	56.02%	2,496	35.29%	614	8.68%	7,072
ESSEX	172,836	66.80%	61,871	23.91%	24,011	9.28%	258,718
FRANKLIN	13,309	50.28%	11,661	44.05%	1,502	5.67%	26,472
HAMPDEN	88,744	64.64%	36,424	26.53%	12,112	8.82%	137,280
HAMPSHIRE	27,432	49.84%	23,611	42.30%	4,000	7.27%	55,043
MIDDLESEX	328,087	59.91%	173,255	31.64%	46,323	8.46%	547,665
NANTUCKET	2,577	64.94%	1,089	27.44%	302	7.61%	3,968
NORFOLK	170,471	64.25%	75,015	28.27%	19,843	7.48%	265,329
PLYMOUTH	118,445	67.61%	44,011	25.12%	12,740	7.27%	175,196
SUFFOLK	74,165	41.18%	64,675	35.90%	41,289	22.92%	180,149
WORCESTER	175,953	68.55%	56,775	22.12%	23,953	9.32%	256,661
TOTALS	1,359,935	61.25%	640,525	28.85%	219,841	9.90%	2,220,301

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Barnstable.....	13,582	4,970	1,542	20,094
Bourne.....	4,869	1,718	766	7,353
Brewster.....	3,295	1,392	316	5,003
Chatham.....	2,811	923	207	3,941
Dennis.....	5,406	1,947	481	7,834
Eastham.....	1,901	843	209	2,953
Falmouth.....	9,118	4,488	1,412	15,018
Harwich.....	4,350	1,613	320	6,283
Mashpee.....	4,135	1,309	171	5,615
Orleans.....	2,420	1,147	197	3,764
Provincetown.....	924	723	87	1,734
Sandwich.....	6,586	2,210	492	9,288
Truro.....	609	426	50	1,085
Wellfleet.....	854	624	52	1,530
Yarmouth.....	7,475	2,471	1,399	11,345
TOTALS.....	68,335	26,804	7,701	102,840
Berkshire County				
Adams.....	1,395	1,009	277	2,681
Alford.....	108	100	10	218
Becket.....	295	151	52	498
Cheshire.....	702	401	71	1,174
Clarksburg.....	303	210	21	534
Dalton.....	1,277	663	332	2,272
Egremont.....	279	268	40	587
Florida.....	144	74	17	235
Great Barrington.....	1,086	1,149	310	2,545
Hancock.....	94	156	15	265
Hinsdale.....	378	185	41	604
Lanesborough.....	394	288	236	918
Lee.....	1,046	706	435	2,187
Lenox.....	960	848	631	2,439
Monterey.....	203	179	20	402
Mount Washington.....	39	31	2	72
New Ashford.....	58	44	8	110
New Marlborough.....	311	203	29	543
NORTH ADAMS	1,903	1,512	481	3,896
Otis.....	224	122	103	449
Dukes County (cont.)				
Tisbury.....	873	587	140	1,600
West Tisbury.....	657	518	94	1,269
TOTALS.....	3,962	2,496	614	7,072
Essex County				
Amesbury.....	3,765	1,376	482	5,623
Andover.....	9,953	3,209	576	13,738
BEVERLY.....	9,792	3,816	1,923	15,531
Boxford.....	2,876	679	311	3,866
Danvers.....	7,327	2,213	879	10,419
Essex.....	1,148	455	50	1,653
Georgetown.....	2,251	729	162	3,142
GLOUCESTER.....	6,913	3,176	1,171	11,260
Groveland.....	455	2,037	202	2,694
Hamilton.....	2,634	828	142	3,604
HAVERHILL.....	13,516	3,375	1,141	18,032
Inswich.....	3,829	1,605	527	5,961
LAWRENCE.....	5,689	4,382	1,874	11,945
LYNN.....	14,103	4,890	2,321	21,314
Lynnfield.....	4,286	997	442	5,725
Manchester-by-the-Sea.....	1,902	689	135	2,726
Marblehead.....	6,793	580	580	10,117
Merrimac.....	1,763	558	205	2,526
Methuen.....	9,599	2,055	2,365	14,019
Middleton.....	2,089	502	296	2,887
Nahant.....	1,362	479	95	1,936
Newbury.....	2,131	828	273	3,232
NEWBURYPORT.....	5,189	2,681	472	8,342
North Andover.....	7,672	2,170	1,072	10,914
PEABODY.....	13,943	4,183	1,906	20,032
Rockport.....	2,512	1,124	182	3,818
Rowley.....	1,679	473	265	2,417
SALEM.....	8,768	4,116	1,398	14,282
Salisbury.....	1,888	557	375	2,820
Saugus.....	7,628	1,691	1,218	10,537

Peru.....	176	61	9	246	4,311	1,681	559	6,551
PITTSFIELD.....	5,349	4,120	4,019	13,488	2,260	675	212	3,147
Richmond.....	413	292	41	746	1,356	392	101	1,849
Sandisfield.....	131	98	14	243	1,454	506	99	2,059
Savoy.....	121	73	10	204				
TOTALS.....	20,415	15,638	7,866	43,919	172,836	61,871	24,011	258,718
Franklin County								
Ashfield.....					330	435	33	798
Barnardston.....					401	271	100	772
Buckland.....					344	326	73	743
Charlemont.....					238	158	13	411
Colrain.....					279	283	23	585
Conway.....					367	522	28	917
Deerfield.....					1,310	930	42	2,282
Erving.....					285	168	50	503
Gill.....					273	260	50	583
Greenfield.....					3,019	2,364	418	5,801
Hawley.....					67	48	3	118
Heath.....					143	142	9	294
Leverett.....					279	641	32	952
Leyden.....					156	128	0	284
Monroe.....					24	9	2	35
Montague.....					1,495	1,271	112	2,878
New Salem.....					236	199	10	445
Northfield.....					577	473	134	1,184
Orange.....					1,443	587	215	2,245
Rowe.....					100	73	9	182
Shelburne.....					376	415	40	831
Shutesbury.....					269	616	13	898
Sunderland.....					601	687	41	1,329
Warwick.....					166	128	12	306
Wendell.....					126	248	13	387
Whately.....					405	279	25	709
TOTALS.....	13,309	11,661	1,502	26,472	13,309	11,661	1,502	26,472
Hampden County								
Agawam.....					6,168	2,012	1,616	9,796
Blandford.....					339	107	4	450
Brimfield.....					994	277	36	1,307
Chester.....					355	96	10	461
CHICOPEE.....					12,171	3,749	1,026	16,946
East Longmeadow.....					4,411	1,167	471	6,049
Granville.....					420	147	13	580
Hampden.....					1,639	388	41	2,068
Holland.....					570	141	20	731
Peru.....	176	61	9	246				
PITTSFIELD.....	5,349	4,120	4,019	13,488				
Richmond.....	413	292	41	746				
Sandisfield.....	131	98	14	243				
Savoy.....	121	73	10	204				
Sheffield.....	639	425	77	1,141				
Stockbridge.....	456	438	184	1,078				
Tyringham.....	112	66	16	194				
Washington.....	141	92	9	242				
West Stockbridge.....	333	259	60	652				
Williamstown.....	1,128	1,300	283	2,711				
Windsor.....	217	115	13	345				
TOTALS.....	20,415	15,638	7,866	43,919				
Bristol County								
Acushnet.....	2,304	1,144	307	3,755				
ATTLEBORO.....	7,801	2,770	1,152	11,723				
Berkley.....	1,413	539	106	2,058				
Dartmouth.....	5,862	3,226	868	9,956				
Dighton.....	1,500	548	123	2,171				
Easton.....	6,017	2,280	533	8,830				
Fairhaven.....	2,651	1,666	1,159	5,476				
FALL RIVER.....	10,062	7,605	3,498	21,165				
Freetown.....	1,918	852	178	2,948				
Mansfield.....	5,392	1,949	434	7,775				
NEW BEDFORD.....	11,828	8,323	3,167	23,318				
North Attleborough.....	6,286	2,176	671	9,133				
North Attleborough.....	3,907	1,333	210	5,450				
Raynham.....	3,033	1,041	408	4,482				
Rehoboth.....	2,508	834	231	3,573				
Seekonk.....	3,426	1,153	253	4,832				
Somerset.....	3,812	2,245	956	7,013				
Swansea.....	3,319	1,578	387	5,284				
TAUNTON.....	8,995	4,179	2,502	15,676				
Westport.....	3,150	1,759	462	5,371				
TOTALS.....	95,184	47,200	17,605	159,989				
Dukes County								
Aquinnah.....	95	76	21	192				
Chilmark.....	313	225	56	594				
Edgartown.....	1,002	449	157	1,608				
Gosnold.....	38	8	4	50				
Oak Bluffs.....	984	633	142	1,759				

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Hampden County (cont.)								
HOLYOKE.....	6,341	3,711	1,153	11,205				
Longmeadow.....	5,219	1,793	399	7,411				
Ludlow.....	4,415	1,746	480	6,641				
Monson.....	1,697	636	443	2,776				
Montgomery.....	238	76	15	329				
Palmer.....	2,796	973	382	4,151				
Russell.....	221	271	14	506				
Southwick.....	2,384	589	174	3,147				
SPRINGFIELD.....	19,166	11,571	3,011	33,748				
Tolland.....	101	39	7	147				
Wales.....	442	112	19	573				
West Springfield.....	5,106	1,961	1,610	8,677				
WESTFIELD.....	8,935	3,587	886	13,408				
Wilbraham.....	4,616	1,275	282	6,173				
TOTALS.....	88,744	36,424	12,112	137,280				
Hampshire County								
Amherst.....	2,490	5,341	232	8,063				
Belchertown.....	2,664	1,461	347	4,472				
Chesterfield.....	284	164	12	460				
Cummington.....	169	357	12	357				
Easthampton.....	3,561	2,339	483	6,383				
Goshen.....	206	174	8	388				
Granby.....	1,260	525	541	2,326				
Hadley.....	1,158	892	317	2,367				
Hatfield.....	936	567	132	1,635				
Huntington.....	487	210	12	709				
Middlefield.....	128	72	8	208				
NORTHAMPTON.....	4,455	6,746	636	11,837				
Pelham.....	250	456	10	716				
Plainfield.....	135	159	9	303				
South Hadley.....	4,299	1,839	563	6,701				
Southampton.....	1,618	653	260	2,531				
Ware.....	2,047	665	313	3,025				
Westhampton.....	470	287	20	777				
Williamsburg.....	543	644	68	1,255				
Worthington.....	272	241	17	530				
TOTALS.....	27,432	23,611	4,000	55,043				
Middlesex County (cont.)								
Townsend.....	2,406	663	188	3,257				
Townsbrough.....	3,041	810	343	4,194				
Wakefield.....	7,668	2,665	758	11,091				
WALTHAM.....	8,729	4,905	4,175	17,809				
Watertown.....	6,538	4,689	1,016	12,243				
Wayland.....	4,081	2,239	317	6,637				
Westford.....	6,323	2,183	472	8,978				
Weston.....	3,559	1,542	190	5,291				
Wilmington.....	5,358	1,606	1,609	8,573				
Winchester.....	7,019	2,856	438	10,313				
WOBURN.....	9,861	3,220	912	13,993				
TOTALS.....	328,087	173,255	46,323	547,665				
Nantucket County								
Nantucket.....	2,577	1,089	302	3,968				
TOTALS.....	2,577	1,089	302	3,968				
Norfolk County								
Avon.....	1,285	391	241	1,917				
Bellingham.....	4,144	1,240	394	5,778				
Bramtree.....	10,393	3,301	1,186	14,880				
Brookline.....	8,135	10,927	1,305	20,367				
Canton.....	6,205	2,166	644	9,015				
Cohasset.....	2,532	801	407	3,740				
Dedham.....	6,726	2,480	1,263	10,469				
Dover.....	2,101	657	127	2,885				
Foxborough.....	4,938	1,535	381	6,854				
Franklin.....	7,928	2,855	547	11,330				
Holbrook.....	3,125	1,016	213	4,354				
Medfield.....	3,936	1,452	247	5,635				
Medway.....	3,630	1,175	297	5,102				
Millis.....	2,367	891	166	3,424				
Milton.....	7,381	4,421	899	12,701				
Needham.....	8,347	5,093	1,094	14,534				
Norfolk.....	2,747	894	248	3,889				
Norwood.....	7,107	2,729	1,370	11,206				

Middlesex County

Acton.....	5,389	3,244	316	8,949
Arlington.....	10,740	8,809	1,012	20,561
Asby.....	915	269	47	1,231
Ashby.....	4,329	1,664	432	6,425
Ayer.....	1,591	536	157	2,284
Bedford.....	3,089	1,538	768	5,395
Belmont.....	6,750	4,157	1,073	11,980
Billerica.....	9,915	2,750	697	13,362
Boxborough.....	1,379	632	66	2,077
Burlington.....	6,942	2,055	367	9,364
CAMBRIDGE				
Carlisle.....	11,063	18,331	3,051	32,445
Chelmsford.....	1,592	904	65	2,561
Concord.....	10,685	3,539	766	14,990
Dracut.....	7,397	4,684	554	8,445
Dunstable.....	961	300	30	1,291
EVERETT.....	5,957	2,367	2,347	10,671
Frammingham.....	13,622	6,690	1,086	21,398
Groton.....	2,772	1,158	662	4,592
Holliston.....	4,004	1,799	295	6,098
Hopkinton.....	4,300	1,487	233	6,020
Hudson.....	4,808	1,704	249	6,761
Lexington.....	7,833	6,062	815	14,710
Lincoln.....	1,538	1,249	98	2,885
Littleton.....	2,381	995	342	3,718
LOWELL.....	13,859	5,463	2,262	21,584
MALDEN.....	9,772	4,512	1,178	15,462
MARLBOROUGH.....	8,812	2,905	12,437	20,187
Maynard.....	2,803	1,336	297	4,436
MEDFORD.....	12,207	5,822	2,530	20,559
MELROSE.....	7,989	3,382	1,185	12,556
Natick.....	8,685	4,399	858	13,942
NEWTON.....	15,217	15,409	5,102	35,728
North Reading.....	4,712	1,504	312	6,528
Pepperell.....	3,239	949	151	4,339
Reading.....	7,334	2,917	681	10,932
Sherborn.....	1,489	688	99	2,276
Shirley.....	1,645	495	65	2,205
SOMERVILLE.....	9,255	11,071	2,184	22,510
Stoneham.....	6,516	2,170	427	9,113
Stow.....	1,801	959	195	2,955
Sudbury.....	5,158	2,551	280	7,989
Tewksbury.....	8,375	1,996	846	11,217

Plainville.....	2,099	669	93	2,861
QUINCY.....	20,096	8,023	3,016	31,135
Randolph.....	6,347	3,109	900	10,356
Sharon.....	5,045	2,583	250	7,878
Stoughton.....	6,788	2,716	676	10,180
Walpole.....	7,065	2,144	832	10,041
Wellesley.....	7,443	4,068	433	11,944
Westwood.....	4,812	1,644	688	7,144
Weymouth.....	14,871	5,000	1,701	21,572
Wrentham.....	2,878	1,035	225	4,138
TOTALS.....	170,471	75,015	19,843	265,329

Plymouth County

Abington.....	4,055	1,358	456	5,869
Bridgewater.....	5,368	2,116	680	8,164
BROCKTON.....	13,126	6,552	2,241	21,919
Carver.....	3,001	936	247	4,184
Duxbury.....	5,057	1,611	481	7,149
East Bridgewater.....	3,366	1,117	234	4,717
Halifax.....	2,035	701	147	2,883
Hanson.....	4,117	1,199	897	6,213
Hanover.....	2,776	920	253	3,949
Hingham.....	6,721	2,716	506	9,943
Hull.....	2,847	1,224	464	4,535
Kingston.....	3,232	1,063	242	4,537
Lakeville.....	2,734	854	246	3,834
Marion.....	1,621	646	141	2,408
Marshfield.....	7,251	2,463	639	10,353
Mattapoisett.....	2,111	800	99	3,010
Middleborough.....	4,675	1,625	364	6,664
Norwell.....	3,451	1,142	325	4,918
Pembroke.....	4,739	1,495	482	6,716
Plymouth.....	13,340	4,954	819	19,113
Plympton.....	875	293	23	1,191
Rochester.....	1,333	484	78	1,895
Rockland.....	4,439	1,593	540	6,572
Scituate.....	6,185	2,390	476	9,051
Wareham.....	4,252	1,674	1,157	7,083
West Bridgewater.....	1,992	655	202	2,849
Whitman.....	3,746	1,430	301	5,477
TOTALS.....	118,445	44,011	12,740	175,196

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	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots		Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Suffolk County									
BOSTON.....	56,574	58,362	38,481	153,417	Lunenburg.....	2,970	869	272	4,111
CHELSEA.....	3,003	2,110	679	5,792	Mendon.....	1,534	448	141	2,123
REVERE.....	9,261	2,629	1,673	13,563	Millford.....	5,709	1,767	1,110	8,586
Winthrop.....	5,347	1,574	456	7,377	Millbury.....	3,435	836	381	4,652
TOTALS.....	74,185	64,675	41,289	180,149	Millville.....	721	186	124	1,031
Worcester County									
Ashburnham.....	1,651	548	107	2,306	New Braintree.....	280	92	14	386
Athol.....	2,100	731	273	3,104	North Brookfield.....	1,169	316	231	1,716
Auburn.....	5,010	1,193	529	6,732	Northborough.....	4,335	1,433	347	6,115
Barre.....	1,308	483	220	2,011	Northbridge.....	3,004	989	751	4,744
Berlin.....	907	292	27	1,226	Oakham.....	582	149	21	752
Blackstone.....	2,122	637	194	2,953	Oxford.....	2,675	785	947	4,407
Bolton.....	1,410	602	71	2,083	Paxton.....	1,483	378	189	2,050
Boylston.....	1,413	154	385	1,952	Petersham.....	379	213	26	618
Brookfield.....	833	248	116	1,197	Phillipston.....	435	133	13	581
Charlton.....	2,950	646	263	3,859	Princeton.....	1,133	369	172	1,674
Clinton.....	3,110	1,063	345	4,518	Royalston.....	298	126	22	446
Douglas.....	2,048	533	143	2,724	Rutland.....	2,045	553	90	2,688
Dudley.....	2,487	598	188	3,273	Shrewsbury.....	9,354	2,701	888	12,943
East Brookfield.....	609	145	54	808	Southborough.....	3,034	1,069	256	4,359
FITCHBURG.....	7,138	2,165	1,091	10,394	Southbridge.....	2,661	947	1,268	4,876
GARDNER.....	4,004	1,599	751	6,354	Spencer.....	2,820	828	332	3,980
Grafton.....	4,351	1,212	296	5,859	Sterling.....	2,448	630	201	3,279
Hardwick.....	736	262	110	1,108	Sturbridge.....	2,045	722	491	3,258
Harvard.....	1,671	875	81	2,627	Sutton.....	2,722	614	365	3,701
Holden.....	5,794	1,638	276	7,708	Templeton.....	1,564	494	187	2,245
Hopedale.....	1,616	530	250	2,396	Upton.....	1,955	632	175	2,762
Hubbardston.....	1,290	330	52	1,672	Uxbridge.....	3,301	1,015	378	4,694
Lancaster.....	1,670	513	226	2,409	Warren.....	1,027	333	156	1,516
Leicester.....	2,890	633	205	3,728	Webster.....	3,281	804	517	4,602
LEOMINSTER.....	9,478	2,872	1,114	13,464	West Boylston.....	2,205	472	273	2,950
					West Brookfield.....	953	325	110	1,388
					Westborough.....	4,394	1,742	513	6,649
					Westminster.....	2,340	656	108	3,104
					Winchendon.....	1,820	529	278	2,627
					WORCESTER.....	27,246	12,118	5,219	44,583
					TOTALS.....	175,953	56,775	23,933	256,661

QUESTION 3 THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

TAXPAYER FUNDING FOR POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS

Do you support taxpayer money being used to fund political campaigns for public office in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts?

Aggregate of Votes	Yes		No		Blanks		Total Ballots
	Yes	%	No	%	Blanks	%	
BARNSTABLE	27,075	26.33%	67,383	65.52%	8,382	8.15%	102,840
BERKSHIRE	14,189	32.31%	22,448	51.11%	7,282	16.58%	43,919
BRISTOL	24,757	15.47%	115,836	72.40%	19,396	12.12%	159,989
DUKES	1,989	28.13%	4,475	63.28%	608	8.60%	7,072
ESSEX	53,231	20.57%	180,842	69.90%	24,645	9.53%	258,718
FRANKLIN	10,058	37.99%	14,934	56.41%	1,480	5.59%	26,472
HAMPDEN	25,531	18.60%	96,970	70.64%	14,779	10.77%	137,280
HAMPSHIRE	20,028	36.39%	31,229	56.74%	3,786	6.88%	55,043
MIDDLESEX	152,838	27.91%	344,804	62.96%	50,023	9.13%	547,665
NANTUCKET	819	20.64%	2,809	70.79%	340	8.57%	3,968
NORFOLK	62,379	23.51%	179,420	67.62%	23,530	8.87%	265,329
PLYMOUTH	33,501	19.12%	126,501	72.21%	15,194	8.67%	175,196
SUFFOLK	44,142	24.50%	91,893	51.01%	44,114	24.49%	180,149
WORCESTER	46,748	18.21%	182,891	71.26%	27,022	10.53%	256,661
TOTALS	517,285	23.30%	1,462,435	65.87%	240,581	10.84%	2,220,301

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Berkshire County (cont.)				
Sandisfield.....	79	149	15	243
Savoy.....	50	146	8	204
Sheffield.....	442	625	74	1,141
Stockbridge.....	496	390	192	1,078
Tyringham.....	80	100	14	194
Washington.....	91	140	11	242
West Stockbridge.....	276	322	54	652
Williamstown.....	1,259	1,145	307	2,711
Windsor.....	131	200	14	345
TOTALS.....	14,189	22,448	7,282	43,919

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Bristol County				
Acushnet.....	597	2,799	359	3,755
ATTLEBORO.....	1,816	8,963	944	11,723
Berkley.....	263	1,661	134	2,058
Dartmouth.....	2,067	6,969	920	9,956
Dighton.....	298	1,741	132	2,171
Easton.....	1,677	6,537	616	8,830
Fairhaven.....	1,370	2,958	1,148	5,476
FALL RIVER.....	2,217	14,787	4,161	21,165
Freetown.....	487	2,230	231	2,948
Mansfield.....	1,490	5,729	556	7,775
NEW BEDFORD.....	3,746	15,952	3,620	23,318
North Attleborough.....	1,491	6,971	671	9,133
Norton.....	980	4,234	236	5,450
Raynham.....	661	3,397	424	4,482
Rehoboth.....	601	2,685	287	3,573
Seekonk.....	775	3,682	375	4,832
Somerset.....	800	5,119	1,094	7,013
Ware.....	688	4,211	385	5,284
TAUNTON.....	1,778	11,277	2,621	15,676
Westport.....	955	3,934	482	5,371
TOTALS.....	24,757	115,836	19,396	159,989

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Dukes County				
Aquinnah.....	58	109	25	192
Chilmark.....	191	324	79	594
Edgartown.....	410	1,054	144	1,608
Gosnold.....	18	27	5	50
Oak Bluffs.....	410	1,234	115	1,759

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Barnstable.....	4,956	13,814	1,324	20,094
Bourne.....	1,517	5,122	714	7,353
Brewster.....	1,514	3,080	409	5,003
Chatham.....	1,174	2,498	3,941	7,613
Dennis.....	1,968	5,256	610	7,834
Eastham.....	888	1,797	268	2,953
Falmouth.....	4,815	8,751	1,452	15,018
Harwich.....	1,675	4,206	402	6,283
Massapee.....	1,237	4,099	279	5,615
Orleans.....	1,249	2,284	231	3,764
Provincetown.....	555	1,069	110	1,734
Sandwich.....	2,059	6,570	659	9,288
Truro.....	379	652	54	1,085
Wellfleet.....	587	866	77	1,530
Yarmouth.....	2,502	7,319	1,524	11,345
TOTALS.....	27,075	67,383	8,382	102,840

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Berkshire County				
Adams.....	580	1,838	263	2,681
Alford.....	119	91	8	218
Becket.....	165	286	47	498
Cheshire.....	326	766	82	1,174
Clarksburg.....	116	386	32	534
Dalton.....	621	1,342	309	2,272
Egremont.....	258	288	41	587
Florida.....	59	158	18	235
Great Barrington.....	986	1,263	296	2,545
Hancock.....	159	91	15	265
Hinsdale.....	176	389	39	604
Lanesborough.....	266	419	233	918
Lee.....	727	1,044	416	2,187
Lenox.....	924	902	613	2,439
Monterey.....	215	174	13	402
Mount Washington.....	39	29	4	72
New Ashford.....	36	67	7	110
New Marlborough.....	205	308	30	543
NORTH ADAMS.....	866	2,559	471	3,896
Ous.....	119	225	105	449
Peru.....	61	173	12	246
PITTSFIELD.....	3,920	6,065	3,503	13,488
Richmond.....	342	368	36	746

QUESTION 3

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Dukes County (cont.)								
Tisbury.....	454	1,024	122	1,600	397	104	5	506
West Tisbury.....	448	703	118	1,269	513	2,242	392	3,147
TOTALS.....	1,989	4,475	608	7,072	6,029	23,643	4,076	33,748
Essex County								
Amesbury.....	1,072	4,324	227	5,623	1,708	5,306	1,663	8,677
Andover.....	3,892	9,083	763	13,738	2,253	9,485	1,670	13,408
BEVERLY.....	3,290	10,521	1,720	15,531	1,388	4,423	362	6,173
Boxford.....	982	2,544	340	3,866	33	107	7	147
Danvers.....	1,932	7,789	698	10,419	129	422	22	573
Essex.....	406	1,178	69	1,653	1,595	4,482	306	6,383
Georgetown.....	684	2,323	135	3,142	4,732	2,931	400	8,063
GLOUCESTER.....	2,615	7,649	996	11,260	1,241	2,836	395	4,472
Groveland.....	1,945	507	242	2,694	163	274	23	460
Hamilton.....	835	2,388	381	3,604	167	173	17	357
HAMPSHIRE.....	2,859	13,848	1,325	18,032	1,595	4,482	306	6,383
Ipswich.....	1,578	3,791	592	5,961	131	240	17	388
LAWRENCE.....	1,834	8,055	2,056	11,945	540	1,248	538	2,326
LYNN.....	3,017	15,706	2,591	21,314	682	1,395	290	2,367
Lynnfield.....	1,192	3,928	605	5,725	444	1,124	67	1,635
Manchester-by-the-Sea.....	823	1,721	182	2,726	197	497	15	709
Marblehead.....	2,793	6,555	769	10,117	83	112	13	208
Merrimack.....	491	1,864	171	2,526	5,718	5,440	679	11,837
Methuen.....	1,890	9,863	2,266	14,019	434	263	19	716
Middleton.....	473	2,024	390	2,887	139	156	8	303
Nahant.....	501	1,275	160	1,936	1,747	4,584	370	6,701
Newbury.....	745	2,215	272	3,232	541	1,776	214	2,531
NEWBURYPORT.....	2,044	5,363	935	8,342	451	2,313	261	3,025
North Andover.....	2,364	7,626	924	10,914	236	502	39	777
PEABODY.....	3,025	14,803	2,204	20,032	541	626	88	1,255
Rockport.....	1,040	2,437	341	3,818	246	257	27	530
Rowley.....	409	1,766	242	2,417	20,928	31,229	3,786	55,043
SALEM.....	2,951	10,083	1,248	14,282	3,439	5,064	446	8,949
Salisbury.....	371	2,202	247	2,820	7,570	11,835	1,156	20,561
Saugus.....	1,554	8,419	564	10,537	240	934	57	1,231
Swampscott.....	1,739	4,264	548	6,551	1,301	4,801	323	6,425
Topsfield.....	804	2,147	196	3,147	467	1,663	154	2,284
Wenham.....	483	1,210	156	1,849	3,439	5,064	446	8,949
West Newbury.....	598	1,371	90	2,059	7,570	11,835	1,156	20,561
TOTALS.....	53,231	180,842	24,645	258,718	20,928	31,229	3,786	55,043
Middlesex County								
Acton.....	3,439	5,064	446	8,949	3,439	5,064	446	8,949
Arlington.....	7,570	11,835	1,156	20,561	7,570	11,835	1,156	20,561
Ashby.....	240	934	57	1,231	240	934	57	1,231
Ashland.....	1,301	4,801	323	6,425	1,301	4,801	323	6,425
Ayer.....	467	1,663	154	2,284	467	1,663	154	2,284

Franklin County

Ashfield.....	418	335	45	798
Barnardston.....	206	470	96	772
Buckland.....	313	367	63	743
Charlemont.....	151	239	21	411
Colrain.....	204	353	28	585
Conway.....	482	402	33	917
Deerfield.....	873	1,342	67	2,282
Erving.....	129	331	43	503
Gill.....	210	329	44	583
Greenfield.....	2,000	3,431	370	5,801
Hawley.....	49	64	5	118
Heath.....	131	155	8	294
Leverett.....	618	299	35	952
Leyden.....	115	155	14	284
Monroe.....	4	29	2	35
Montague.....	1,007	1,740	131	2,878
New Salem.....	163	266	16	445
Northfield.....	427	1,184	143	1,884
Orange.....	415	1,703	127	2,245
Rowe.....	61	112	9	182
Shelburne.....	388	395	48	831
Shutesbury.....	559	314	25	898
Sunderland.....	562	710	57	1,329
Warwick.....	115	183	8	306
Wendell.....	209	168	10	387
Whately.....	249	428	32	709
TOTALS.....	10,058	14,934	1,480	26,472

Hampden County

Agawan.....	1,648	6,470	1,678	9,796
Blandford.....	125	313	12	450
Brimfield.....	269	987	51	1,307
Chester.....	121	327	13	461
CHICOPEE.....	2,561	13,051	1,334	16,946
East Longmeadow.....	1,189	4,276	584	6,049
Granville.....	117	441	22	580
Hampden.....	408	1,562	98	2,068
Holland.....	140	559	32	731
HOLYOKE.....	2,146	8,055	1,004	11,205
Longmeadow.....	1,970	4,909	532	7,411
Ludlow.....	1,122	4,959	560	6,641
Monson.....	519	1,781	476	2,776
Montgomery.....	69	242	18	329
Palmer.....	677	3,306	168	4,151

Bedford.....	1,788	2,755	852	5,395
Belmont.....	4,366	6,526	1,088	11,980
Billerica.....	2,214	10,398	750	13,362
Boxborough.....	735	1,269	73	2,077
Burlington.....	1,899	6,944	521	9,364
CAMBRIDGE.....	15,370	13,979	3,096	32,445
Carlisle.....	1,079	1,362	120	2,561
Chelmsford.....	3,291	11,154	545	14,990
Concord.....	3,545	4,316	584	8,445
Dracut.....	1,462	8,241	602	10,305
Dunstable.....	257	1,001	33	1,291
EVERETT.....	1,484	6,306	2,881	10,671
Frammingham.....	5,347	14,618	1,433	21,398
Groton.....	1,182	2,653	457	4,392
Holliston.....	1,523	4,198	377	6,098
Hopkinton.....	1,450	4,266	304	6,020
Hudson.....	1,233	5,194	334	6,761
Lexington.....	6,729	7,055	926	14,710
Lincoln.....	1,533	1,161	191	2,885
Littleton.....	971	2,361	386	3,718
LOWELL.....	3,314	15,950	2,320	21,584
MALDEN.....	2,920	11,302	1,240	15,462
MARLBOROUGH.....	2,430	9,025	982	12,437
Maynard.....	1,079	3,022	335	4,436
MEDFORD.....	4,337	13,603	2,619	20,559
MELROSE.....	2,921	8,673	962	12,556
Natick.....	3,887	8,853	1,202	13,942
NEWTON.....	14,378	16,004	5,346	35,728
North Reading.....	1,359	4,906	263	6,528
Pepperell.....	864	3,307	168	4,339
Reading.....	2,784	7,442	706	10,932
Sherborn.....	779	1,355	142	2,276
Shirley.....	465	1,651	89	2,205
SOMERVILLE.....	8,173	11,702	2,635	22,510
Stonham.....	1,687	6,910	516	9,113
Stow.....	896	1,800	259	2,955
Sudbury.....	2,748	4,825	416	7,989
Tewksbury.....	1,786	8,736	695	11,217
Townsend.....	551	2,494	212	3,257
Tyngsborough.....	700	3,249	245	4,194
Wakefield.....	2,252	8,092	747	11,091
WALTHAM.....	4,175	9,381	4,253	17,809
Watertown.....	4,050	7,181	1,012	12,243
Wayland.....	2,448	3,700	489	6,637
Westford.....	2,382	6,030	566	8,978

QUESTION 3

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County (cont.)								
Weston	1,980	3,025	286	5,291	39,575	73,140	40,702	153,417
Wilmington	1,403	5,470	1,700	8,573	915	4,034	843	5,792
Winchester	3,329	6,351	633	10,313	1,563	10,041	1,959	13,563
WOBURN	2,286	10,711	996	13,993	2,089	4,678	610	7,377
TOTALS.....	152,838	344,804	50,023	547,665	44,142	91,893	44,114	180,149
Nantucket County								
Nantucket	819	2,809	340	3,968	413	1,814	79	2,306
TOTALS.....	819	2,809	340	3,968	465	2,485	154	3,104
Norfolk County								
Avon	277	1,364	276	1,917	357	2,365	231	2,953
Bellingham	810	4,567	401	5,778	629	3,533	101	2,083
Braintree	3,261	10,308	1,311	14,880	465	1,328	159	1,952
Brookline	9,214	9,559	1,594	20,367	195	908	94	1,197
Canton	1,830	6,464	721	9,015	696	2,878	285	3,859
Cohasset	905	2,375	460	3,740	705	3,413	400	4,518
Dedham	2,378	7,184	907	10,469	409	2,136	179	2,724
Dover	846	1,857	182	2,885	482	2,610	181	3,273
Foxborough	1,387	4,969	498	6,854	133	631	44	808
Franklin	2,109	8,669	552	11,330	1,439	7,802	1,153	10,394
Holbrook	642	3,357	355	4,354	934	4,936	484	6,354
Medfield	1,534	3,705	396	5,635	1,074	4,435	350	5,859
Medway	1,026	3,737	339	5,102	188	855	65	1,108
Millis	717	2,445	262	3,424	1,069	1,425	133	2,627
Milton	3,680	7,572	1,449	12,701	1,795	5,565	348	7,708
Needham	3,934	8,574	2,026	14,534	413	1,699	284	2,396
Norfolk	859	2,750	280	3,889	324	1,269	79	1,672
Norwood	2,106	7,839	1,261	11,206	456	1,650	303	2,409
Plainville	471	2,260	130	2,861	541	2,933	254	3,728
QUINCY	5,826	22,235	3,074	31,135	2,065	10,160	1,239	13,464
Randolph	1,766	7,672	918	10,356	824	2,889	388	4,111
Sharon	2,621	4,840	417	7,878	343	1,467	313	2,123
Stoughton	1,765	7,498	917	10,180	1,360	5,392	1,834	8,586
Walpole	1,907	7,384	750	10,041	713	3,486	453	4,632
Wellesley	3,985	6,511	1,448	11,944	113	782	136	1,031
Westwood	2,013	4,607	524	7,144				
Suffolk County								
BOSTON								
CHELSEA								
REVERE								
Winthrop								
TOTALS.....					44,142	91,893	44,114	180,149
Worcester County								
Ashburnham					413	1,814	79	2,306
Athol					465	2,485	154	3,104
Auburn					953	4,257	1,522	6,732
Barre					396	1,432	183	2,011
Berlin					290	900	36	1,226
Blackstone					357	2,365	231	2,953
Bolton					629	3,533	101	2,083
Boylston					465	1,328	159	1,952
Brookfield					195	908	94	1,197
Charlton					696	2,878	285	3,859
Clinton					705	3,413	400	4,518
Douglas					409	2,136	179	2,724
Dudley					482	2,610	181	3,273
East Brookfield					133	631	44	808
FITCHBURG					1,439	7,802	1,153	10,394
GARDNER					934	4,936	484	6,354
Grafton					1,074	4,435	350	5,859
Hardwick					188	855	65	1,108
Harvard					1,069	1,425	133	2,627
Holden					1,795	5,565	348	7,708
Hopedale					413	1,699	284	2,396
Hubbardston					324	1,269	79	1,672
Lancaster					456	1,650	303	2,409
Leicester					541	2,933	254	3,728
LEOMINSTER					2,065	10,160	1,239	13,464
Lunenburg					824	2,889	388	4,111
Mendon					343	1,467	313	2,123
Milford					1,360	5,392	1,834	8,586
Millbury					713	3,486	453	4,632
Millville					113	782	136	1,031

QUESTION 4

Shall the member of the Steamship Authority from Martha's Vineyard be appointed by a special committee comprised of 1 selectman from each of the 6 towns of Martha's Vineyard appointed by the selectmen of each respective town and 1 county commissioner appointed by the county of Dukes County Commissioners?

In the County of Dukes

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Aquinnah.....	89	76	27	192
Chilmark.....	249	285	60	594
Edgartown.....	660	821	127	1,608
Gosnold.....	30	11	9	50
Oak Bluffs.....	693	951	115	1,759
Tisbury.....	631	856	113	1,600
West Tisbury.....	452	721	96	1,269
TOTALS.....	2,804	3,721	547	7,072

QUESTION 4

Shall the Town of Acton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to fund the Public Safety Building Project as described in Article 1 of the October 15, 2002, Special Town Meeting Warrant, including but not limited to design, engineering, construction, demolition and other costs incidental thereto?

In the Town of Acton

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Acton.....	4,750	3,216	983	8,949
TOTALS.....	4,750	3,216	983	8,949

QUESTION 6

Shall the Town of Saugus 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 acquire a new Ladder Truck for the Saugus Fire Department?

In the Town of Saugus

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Essex County				
Saugus.....	5,751	4,113	673	10,537
TOTALS.....	5,751	4,113	673	10,537

QUESTION 4

Shall the Town of Tewksbury 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 sidewalks on various streets in town, including all costs incidental and related thereto?

In the Town of Tewksbury

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Middlesex County				
Tewksbury.....	4,894	5,392	931	11,217
TOTALS.....	4,894	5,392	931	11,217

QUESTION 4

Shall the Town of Leverett be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to construct, equip and furnish a town library and for other incidental expenses related to this project?

In the Town of Leverett

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Franklin County				
Leverett	608	250	94	952
TOTALS.....	608	250	94	952

QUESTION 4

Shall the Town of Holbrook 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 acquire for public safety purposes including without limiting the foregoing for the Police and Fire departments a certain parcel of land located on the westerly side of South Franklin Street purported to be owned by the Bertie J. Blanchard Trust, and more particularly described on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Taking - South Franklin Street, Holbrook, MA dated 9-7-2001" prepared by Yunits Engineering Co. and to finance the construction of a building or buildings for the purposes of public safety buildings including without limiting the foregoing a Police and Fire department facility and the hiring of engineers, contractors and professional consultants for the design and construction thereof?

In the Town of Holbrook

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Norfolk County				
Holbrook	2,064	2,008	282	4,354
TOTALS.....	2,064	2,008	282	4,354

QUESTION 4

Shall the Town of Saugus be allowed to assess an additional \$780,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of paying the operational expenses required to man the West Side Fire Station for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand and three?

In the Town of Saugus

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Essex County				
Saugus	4,814	5,184	539	10,537
TOTALS.....	4,814	5,184	539	10,537

QUESTION 5

Shall the Town of Saugus 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 acquire land and construct the West Side Fire Station?

In the Town of Saugus

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Essex County				
Saugus	4,962	4,875	700	10,537
TOTALS.....	4,962	4,875	700	10,537