

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

STATE ELECTION

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SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Tuesday, November 4, 2008

To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the candidate's name. To vote for a person not on the ballot, write that person's name and residence in the blank space provided and fill in the oval.

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Vote for ONE

BALDWIN and CASTLE Conservative

BARR and ROOT Libertarian

McCAIN and PALIN Republican

McKINNEY and CLEMENTE Green-Backlash

HADER and GONZALEZ Independent

OBAMA and BIDEN Democratic

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SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Vote for ONE

JOHN F. KERRY Democratic
19 Lombard St., Boston Candidate for Re-election

JEFFREY K. BEATTY Republican
21 John Joseph Rd., Norwalk Candidate for Re-election

ROBERT J. UNDERWOOD Libertarian
61 Orono St., Southfield Candidate for Re-election

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

SEVENTH DISTRICT Vote for ONE

EDWARD J. MARKEY Democratic
7 Townsend St., Woburn Candidate for Re-election

JOHN CUNNINGHAM Republican
11 Orono St., Southfield Candidate for Re-election

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COUNCILLOR

SIXTH DISTRICT Vote for ONE

MICHAEL J. CALLAHAN Democratic
500 State St., Woburn Candidate for Re-election

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SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

SECOND MIDDLESEX DISTRICT Vote for ONE

PATRICIA D. JEHL Democratic
17 Dix St., Southfield Candidate for Re-election

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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

THIRTY-FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT Vote for ONE

JASON M. LEWIS Democratic
61 Church St., Woburn Candidate for Re-election

BRIAN P. O'CONNOR Republican
54 Woodmont Ave., Woburn Candidate for Re-election

CHAD RILEY Independent
21 Canterbury Rd., Winchester Candidate for Re-election

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REGISTER OF PROBATE

MIDDLESEX COUNTY Vote for ONE

TARA E. DeCRISTOFARO Democratic
11 Sargent Rd., Woburn Candidate for Re-election

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You may vote for every position on the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School District Committee, regardless of where you reside in the District.

REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) CHELSEA Vote for ONE

MICHAEL T. WALL Candidate for Re-election
15 Wallace St., Chelsea

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WALDEN Vote for ONE

EARL W. FITZPATRICK Candidate for Re-election
170 Columbia St., Malden

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WELROSE Vote for ONE

HENRY S. HODSON Candidate for Re-election
55 Silman Rd., Woburn

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) NORTH READING Vote for ONE

PAUL L. SWEENEY Candidate for Re-election
788 Park St., North Reading

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) READING Vote for ONE

JAMES B. PERRY Candidate for Re-election
280 English St., Reading

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) REVERE Vote for ONE

RONALD J. JANNINO Candidate for Re-election
112 Lincoln St., Revere

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) SAUGUS Vote for ONE

PETER A. ROSETTI, JR. Candidate for Re-election
6 Sutton Ave., Saugus

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) STONEHAM Vote for ONE

ANTHONY E. DeTESO Candidate for Re-election
149 Central St., Stoneham

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WAKEFIELD Vote for ONE

VINCENT J. CARISELLA Candidate for Re-election
35 Central St., Wakefield

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WINCHESTER Vote for ONE

JOHN J. BRADLEY Candidate for Re-election
3 Dorset St., Winchester

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REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WOBURN Vote for ONE

DEBORAH P. DAVIS Candidate for Re-election
61 Richard Circle, Woburn

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VOTE BOTH SIDES

QUESTION 1

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 6, 2008?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would reduce the state personal income tax rate to 2.65% for all categories of taxable income for the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and would eliminate the tax for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

The personal income tax applies to income received or gain realized by individuals and married couples, by estates of deceased persons, by certain trustees and other fiduciaries, by persons who are partners in and receive income from partnerships, by corporate trusts, and by persons who receive income as shareholders of "S corporations" as defined under federal tax law. The proposed law would not affect the tax due on income or gain realized in a tax year beginning before January 1, 2009.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would reduce the state personal income tax rate to 2.65% for the tax year beginning on January 1, 2009, and would eliminate the tax for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

A NO VOTE would make no change in state income tax laws.

YES
NO

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 6, 2008?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would replace the criminal penalties for possession of one ounce or less of marijuana with a new system of civil penalties, to be enforced by issuing citations, and would exclude information regarding this civil offense from the state's criminal record information system. Offenders age 18 or older would be subject to forfeiture of the marijuana plus a civil penalty of \$100. Offenders under the age of 18 would be subject to the same forfeiture and, if they complete a drug awareness program within one year of the offense, the same \$100 penalty.

Offenders under 18 and their parents or legal guardian would be notified of the offense and the option for the offender to complete a drug awareness program developed by the state Department of Youth Services. Such programs would include ten hours of community service and at least four hours of instruction or group discussion concerning the use and abuse of marijuana and other drugs and emphasizing early detection and prevention of substance abuse.

The penalty for offenders under 18 who fail to complete such a program within one year could be increased to as much as \$1,000, unless the offender showed an inability to pay, an inability to participate in such a program, or the unavailability of such a program. Such an offender's parents could also be held liable for the increased penalty. Failure by an offender under 17 to complete such a program could also be a basis for a delinquency proceeding.

The proposed law would define possession of one ounce or less of marijuana as including possession of one ounce or less of tetrahydrocannabinol ("THC"), or having metabolized products of marijuana or THC in one's body.

Under the proposed law, possessing an ounce or less of marijuana could not be grounds for state or local government entities imposing any other penalty, sanction, or disqualification, such as denying student financial aid, public housing, public financial assistance including unemployment benefits, the right to operate a motor vehicle, or the opportunity to serve as a foster or adoptive parent. The proposed law would allow local ordinances or bylaws that prohibit the public use of marijuana, and would not affect existing laws, practices, or policies concerning operating a motor vehicle or taking other actions while under the influence of marijuana, unlawful possession of prescription forms of marijuana, or selling, manufacturing, or trafficking in marijuana.

The money received from the new civil penalties would go to the city or town where the offense occurred.

A YES VOTE would replace the criminal penalties for possession of one ounce or less of marijuana with a new system of civil penalties.

A NO VOTE would make no change in state criminal laws concerning possession of marijuana.

YES
NO

QUESTION 3

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 6, 2008?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would prohibit any dog racing or racing meeting in Massachusetts where any form of betting or wagering on the speed or ability of dogs occurs. The State Racing Commission would be prohibited from accepting or approving any application or request for racing dates for dog racing.

Any person violating the proposed law could be required to pay a civil penalty of not less than \$20,000 to the Commission. The penalty would be used for the Commission's administrative purposes, subject to appropriation by the state Legislature. All existing parts of the chapter of the state's General Laws concerning dog and horse racing meetings would be interpreted as if they did not refer to dogs.

These changes would take effect January 1, 2010. The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would prohibit dog races on which betting or wagering occurs, effective January 1, 2010.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws governing dog racing.

YES
NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING