

STATE ELECTION
Tuesday, November 8, 2016

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

TENTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

Vote for ONE

Blanks	59	81	71	76	111	63	97	87	645
SANDRA E. SLATTERY BIAGETTI 139 Dutcher St., Hopedale Republican	395	617	628	484	876	632	852	721	5205
BRIAN W. MURRAY 23 Congress Ter., Milford Democratic	703	952	939	792	1207	1054	1112	1145	7904
Write-in	2	5	1	4	1	1	2	1	17
TOTAL	1159	1655	1639	1356	2195	1750	2063	1954	13771
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SHERIFF

WORCESTER COUNTY

Vote for ONE

Blanks	361	497	501	443	640	512	626	566	4146
LEWIS G. EVANGELIDIS 52 Prospect St., Rutland Republican Candidate for Re-election	782	1127	1116	884	1528	1210	1415	1366	9428
Write-in	16	31	22	29	27	28	22	22	197
TOTAL	1159	1655	1639	1356	2195	1750	2063	1954	13771
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QUESTION 1: Expanded Slot-Machine Gaming

Blanks	90	105	115	118	141	129	92	126	916
YES	511	640	683	606	804	668	666	745	5323
NO	558	910	841	632	1250	953	1305	1083	7532
TOTAL	1159	1655	1639	1356	2195	1750	2063	1954	13771
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QUESTION 2: Charter School Expansion

Blanks	52	38	76	75	53	59	53	66	472
YES	411	575	562	446	759	568	764	721	4806
NO	696	1042	1001	835	1383	1123	1246	1167	8493
TOTAL	1159	1655	1639	1356	2195	1750	2063	1954	13771
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QUESTION 3: Conditions for Farm Animals

Blanks	54	62	62	83	56	76	52	75	520
YES	873	1272	1214	1005	1650	1299	1588	1485	10386
NO	232	321	363	268	489	375	423	394	2865
TOTAL	1159	1655	1639	1356	2195	1750	2063	1954	13771
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**QUESTION 4: Legalization, Regulation
and Taxation of Marijuana**

Blanks	38	42	55	76	40	61	41	64	417
YES	655	871	819	753	1042	828	996	966	6930
NO	466	742	765	527	1113	861	1026	924	6424
TOTAL	1159	1655	1639	1356	2195	1750	2063	1954	13771
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QUESTION 1: Expanded Slot-Machine Gaming

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 3, 2016?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would allow the state Gaming Commission to issue one additional category 2 license, which would permit operation of a gaming establishment with no table games and not more than 1,250 slot machines. The proposed law would authorize the Commission to request applications for the additional license to be granted to a gaming establishment located on property that is (i) at least four acres in size; (ii) adjacent to and within 1,500 feet of a race track, including the track's additional facilities, such as the track, grounds, paddocks, barns, auditorium, amphitheatre, and bleachers; (iii) where a horse racing meeting may physically be held; (iv) where a horse racing meeting shall have been hosted; and (v) not separated from

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QUESTION 2: Charter School Expansion

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 3, 2016?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would allow the state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to approve up to 12 new charter schools or enrollment expansions in existing charter schools each year. Approvals under this law could expand statewide charter school enrollment by up to 1% of the total statewide public school enrollment each year. New charters and enrollment expansions approved under this law would be exempt from existing limits on the number of charter schools, the number of students enrolled in them, and the amount of local school districts' spending allocated to them.

If the Board received more than 12 applications in a single year from qualified applicants, then the proposed law would require it to give priority to proposed charter schools or enrollment expansions in districts where student performance on statewide assessments is in the bottom 25% of all districts in the previous two years and where demonstrated parent demand for additional public school options is greatest. New charter schools and enrollment expansions approved under this proposed law would be subject to the same approval standards as other charter schools, and to recruitment, retention, and multilingual outreach requirements that currently apply to some charter schools. Schools authorized under this law would be subject to annual performance reviews according to standards established by the Board. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2017.

QUESTION 3: Conditions for Farm Animals

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 3, 2016?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would prohibit any farm owner or operator from knowingly confining any breeding pig, calf raised for veal, or egg-laying hen in a way that prevents the animal from lying down, standing up, fully extending its limbs, or turning around freely. The proposed law would also prohibit any business owner or operator in Massachusetts from selling whole eggs intended for human consumption or any uncooked cut of veal or pork if the business owner or operator knows or should know that the hen, breeding pig, or veal calf that produced these products was confined in a manner prohibited by the proposed law. The proposed law would exempt sales of food products that combine veal or pork with other products, including soups, sandwiches, pizzas, hotdogs, or similar processed or prepared food items.

The proposed law's confinement prohibitions would not apply during transportation; state and county fair exhibitions; 4-H programs; slaughter in compliance with applicable laws and regulations; medical research; veterinary exams, testing, treatment and operation if performed under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian; five days prior to a pregnant pig's expected date of giving birth; any day that pig is nursing piglets; and for temporary periods for animal husbandry purposes not to exceed six hours in any twenty-four hour period.

The proposed law would create a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 for each violation and would give the Attorney General the exclusive authority to enforce the law, and to issue regulations to implement it. As a defense to enforcement proceedings, the proposed law would allow a business owner or operator to rely in good faith upon a written certification or guarantee of compliance by a supplier.

The proposed law would be in addition to any other animal welfare laws and would not prohibit stricter local laws.

QUESTION 4: Legalization, Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 3, 2016?

SUMMARY

The proposed law would permit the possession, use, distribution, and cultivation of marijuana in limited amounts by persons age 21 and older and would remove criminal penalties for such activities. It would provide for the regulation of commerce in marijuana, marijuana accessories, and marijuana products and for the taxation of proceeds from sales of these items.

The proposed law would authorize persons at least 21 years old to possess up to one ounce of marijuana outside of their residences; possess up to ten ounces of marijuana inside their residences; grow up to six marijuana plants in their residences; give one ounce or less of marijuana to a person at least 21 years old without payment; possess, produce or transfer hemp; or make or transfer items related to marijuana use, storage, cultivation, or processing. The measure would create a Cannabis Control Commission of three members appointed by the state Treasurer which would generally administer the law governing marijuana use and distribution, promulgate regulations, and be responsible for the licensing of marijuana commercial establishments.

The proposed law would also create a Cannabis Advisory Board of fifteen members appointed by the Governor. The Cannabis Control Commission would adopt regulations governing licensing qualifications; security; record keeping; health and safety standards; packaging and labeling; testing; advertising and displays; required inspections; and such other matters as the Commission considers appropriate. The records of the Commission would be public records.

The proposed law would authorize cities and towns to adopt reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of operating marijuana businesses and to limit the number of marijuana establishments in their communities. A city or town could hold a local vote to determine whether to permit the selling of marijuana and marijuana products for consumption on the premises at commercial establishments. The proceeds of retail sales of marijuana and marijuana products would be subject to the state sales tax and an additional excise tax of 3.75%. A city or town could impose a separate tax of up to 2%. Revenue received from the additional state excise tax or from license application fees and civil penalties for violations of this law would be deposited in a Marijuana Regulation Fund and would be used subject to appropriation for administration of the proposed law. Marijuana-related activities authorized under this proposed law could not be a basis for adverse orders in child welfare cases absent clear and convincing evidence that such activities had created an unreasonable danger to the safety of a minor child.

The proposed law would not affect existing law regarding medical marijuana treatment centers or the operation of motor vehicles while under the influence. It would permit property owners to prohibit the use, sale, or production of marijuana on their premises (with an exception that landlords cannot prohibit consumption by tenants of marijuana by means other than by smoking); and would permit employers to prohibit the consumption of marijuana by employees in the workplace. State and local governments could continue to restrict uses in public buildings or at or near schools. Supplying marijuana to persons under age 21 would be unlawful.

The proposed law would take effect on December 15, 2016.

Registered Voters

Total Registered Voters	18,094
Total ballots cast at Precincts:	13,771
Total UOCAVA & Prov. ballots cast:	55
Total ballots cast:	13,826
Percentage of ballots cast:	76.4%