### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### STATE ELECTION

**OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT**

**Tuesday, November 8, 2016**

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**ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT**

- **Vote for ONE**
  - Clinton and Kaine - Democratic
  - Johnson and Weld - Libertarian
  - Stein and Baraka - Libertarian
  - Trump and Pence - Republican
  - Johnson and Weld - Libertarian

**REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

- **Vote for not more than ONE**
  - North Shore (4 years) Saugus
  - North Shore (4 years) Reading
  - North Shore (4 years) Winthrop
  - North Shore (4 years) Wakefield
  - North Shore (4 years) Chelsea

**COUNCILLOR**

- **Vote for ONE**
  - Moulton - Sixth District
  - Lawrence Dixon - Middlesex County
  - Lewis - Middlesex County

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**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**

- **Vote for ONE**
  - Moulton - Sixth District

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**SENIOR IN GENERAL COURT**

- **Vote for ONE**
  - Moulton - Sixth District

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**SHERIFF**

- **Vote for ONE**
  - Bradley, Jr.

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**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 on or before May 3, 2016?

**SUMMARY**

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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, grandstands, paddocks, barns, auditorium, amphitheater, and bleachers; (iii) where a horse racing meeting may physically be held; (iv) when a horse racing meeting shall have been hosted; and (v) not separated from the race track by a highway or railroad.

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**VOTE BOTH SIDES**
A YES VOTE would make no change in current laws relative to charter schools.

A NO VOTE would make no change in current laws relative to charter schools.

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 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 subject to the same approval standards as other charters, and to bond, 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.

A YES VOTE would allow for up to 12 approvals each year of either new charter schools or expanded enrollments in existing charter schools, but not to exceed 1% of the statewide public school enrollment.

A NO VOTE would make no change in current laws relative to charter schools.

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 on or before May 3, 2016?

SUMMARY
The proposed law would prohibit any farm owner or operator from knowingly confining any breeding pig 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 require the provision of food and water and of shelter and the protection of hens, breeding pigs, and veal calves from exposure to the elements; the proposed law would also require the provision of food and water and of shelter in accordance with applicable laws and regulations; medical research; vitamin and mineral testing; the handling and movement of hens, breeding pigs, and veal calves; and the proper and humane treatment of hens, breeding pigs, and veal calves. The proposed law would also require the state to enforce the new laws it creates to ensure that the proposed law is implemented.

The proposed law would make no change in current laws relative to the keeping of farm animals.

A YES VOTE would prohibit any confinement of pigs, calves, or any hens that prevent them from lying down, standing up, fully extending their limbs, or turning around freely.

A NO VOTE would make no change in current laws relative to the keeping of farm animals.

QUESTION 4
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 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 medical marijuana exclusions. The proposed law would provide for the regulation of commerce in marijuana, marijuana accessories, and marijuana products, and for the taxing of proceeds from sales of these items.

The proposed law would also authorize up to 51 municipalities to hold referenda on whether to allow retail sale of marijuana. The proposed law would also establish a Cannabis Control Commission of three members appointed by the state Treasurer who would be responsible for the licensing of marijuana commercial operators, including provisions regarding the regulation of retail and wholesale marijuana establishments, 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 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 proposed law would also create a Cannabis Advisory Board of fifteen members appointed by the Governor. The Cannabis Advisory Board would make recommendations to the Board on the development of regulations governing the licensing of marijuana commercial operators and such other matters as the Board considers appropriate.

The proposed law would make no change in current laws relative to charter schools.

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YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING
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- **JOHNSON and WELD**
  - Libertarian

- **STEIN and BARRY**
  - Green-Rainbow

- **TRUMP and PENCE**
  - Republican

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**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**

Vote for One

- **SETH MOULTON**
  - Democratic
  - Candidate for Massachusetts

- **CHRISTOPHER A. WATTS**
  - Independent

- **MASSACHUSETTS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

  **SHOULD THE COMMONWEALTH MANDATE THE ABOLITION OF THE death penalty?**

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**COUNCILLOR**

Vote for One

- **TERRANCE W. KENNEDY**
  - Democratic
  - Candidate for Malden

- **JAMES J. DWYER**
  - Republican

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**REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Vote for not more than ONE

- **DEBORAH P. DAVIS**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WOBURN REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WINTHROP**

- **3 Cutting St., Winchester**
  - Candidate for Re-election

- **REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

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**REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Vote for not more than ONE

- **RICHARD G. GEROKOULIS**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) NORTH READING REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **HENRY S. HOOTON**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN  (4 YEARS ) CHELSEA REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **JUDITH M. DYMENT**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) STONEHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **MICHAEL T. WALL**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) SAUGUS REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **PETER A. ROSETTI, JR.**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) MALDEN REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **JEANNE M. FEELEY**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) WAKEFIELD REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

- **RICHARD G. GEROKOULIS**
  - NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN (4 YEARS) MELROSE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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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 proposals that enhance 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.

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