The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
STATE ELECTION
OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT
Tuesday, November 6, 2018

SENATOR IN CONGRESS
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Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

GONZALEZ and PALFREY
Vote for ONE

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MARIA HEALY
Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

TREASURER
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
Vote for ONE

JUAN G. SANCHEZ, JR.
Vote for ONE

SECRETARY OF STATE
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
Vote for ONE

ANTHONY M. ANDRE
Vote for ONE

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
SCIOTT W. MCKINNON
Vote for ONE

CLERK OF COURTS
MICHAEL D. O’KEEFE
Vote for ONE

REGISTRAR OF DEEDS
JOHN P. MEADE
Vote for ONE

COUNTY COMMISSIONER
LEO S. CAGNIOR
Vote for ONE

ROBERT J. BERGSTRYM
Vote for ONE

BARNSTABLE ASSEMBLY DELEGATE
CHRISTOPHER W. KARAGA
Vote for ONE

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT
BARNSTABLE DISTRICT

BARNSTABLE COUNTY

CLERK OF COURTS

MAURICE O’KEEFE
Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

PETER D. TESCHER
Vote for ONE

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Vote for ONE

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Commission of a complaint or a violation would be required to submit a written complaint plan to the Commission. The Commission could report violations to the state Attorney General, who could file suit to obtain a civil penalty of up to $25,000 per violation as well as up to $50,000 for each day a violation continued after the Commission notified the covered facility of the violation. The Health Policy Commission would be required to establish a toll-free telephone number for complaints, a website where complaints, compliance plans, and violations would appear.

The proposed law would prohibit discipline or retaliation against any employee for complying with the patient assignment limits of the law. The proposed law would require every covered facility to post within each unit, patient room, and waiting area a notice explaining the patient limits and how to report violations. Each day of a facility's non-compliance with the posting requirement would be punishable by a civil penalty between $250 and $2,500.

The proposed law's requirements would be suspended during a state or nationally declared public health emergency.

The proposed law states that, if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2019.

A YES VOTE would limit the number of patients that could be assigned to one registered nurse in hospitals and certain other health care facilities.

A NO VOTE would make no change in current laws relative to patient-to-nurse limits.

YES
NO
SAMPLE ONLY

QUESTION 4

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 2, 2018?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would create a citizens commission to consider and recommend potential amendments to the United States Constitution to establish that corporations do not have the same Constitutional rights as human beings and that campaign contributions and expenditures may be regulated.

Any resident of Massachusetts who is a United States citizen would be able to apply for appointment to the 15-member commission, and members would serve without compensation. The Governor, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and the Speaker of the state House of Representatives, and the President of the state Senate would each appoint three members of the commission, and, in making these appointments, would seek to ensure that the commission reflects a range of geographic, political, and demographic backgrounds.

The commission would be required to research and take testimony, and then issue a report regarding (1) the impact of political spending in Massachusetts; (2) any limitations on the state's ability to regulate corporations and other entities in light of Supreme Court decisions that allow corporations to assert certain constitutional rights; (3) recommendations for constitutional amendments; (4) an analysis of constitutional amendments introduced to Congress; and (5) recommendations for advancing proposed amendments to the United States Constitution.

The commission would be subject to the state Open Meeting Law and Public Records Law. The commission's first report would be due December 31, 2019, and the Secretary of the Commonwealth would be required to deliver the commission's report to the state Legislature, the United States Congress, and the President of the United States.

The proposed law states that, if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2019.

A YES VOTE would create a citizens commission to advance an amendment to the United States Constitution to limit the influence of money in elections and establish that corporations do not have the same rights as human beings.

A NO VOTE would not create a commission.

YES
NO
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QUESTION 5

Shall the Town of Orleans 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 fund the costs associated with the implementation of the Nauset Beach Retreat Master Plan and Facility Relocation project, including all expenses incidental and related thereto?

Shall the Town of Orleans 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 fund additional costs relating to the demolition of the Tri-Town Septage Facility and compost shed located on Overland Way, including all expenses incidental and related thereto?

YES
NO
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