Town of Hanson 542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341

State Election - Nov. 4, 2008

State Election November 4, 2008		Town of Hanson		
		Precinct I	Precinct II	Precinct III
Total	Electors of President and Vice President			
	Baldwin and Castle - Constitution	0	3	4
7	Barr and Root - Libertarian	9	4	7
20	McCain and Palin - Republican	899	891	968
2758	McKinney and Clemente - Green-Rainbow	2	2	1
5	Nader and Gonzalez - Independent	9	15	24
48	Obama and Biden - Democratic	854	860	857
2571	Write-Ins Scattered	11	10	9
30	Blanks	15	12	16
43	Senator in Congress			
	John F. Kerry - Democratic	974	920	954
2848	Jeffrey K. Beatty - Republican	722	774	806
2302	Robert J. Underwood - Libertarian	51	53	61
165	Write-Ins Scattered	1	1	1
3	Blanks	51	49	64
164	Representative in Congress 9th District			
	Stephen F. Lynch - Democratic	1391		1420
2811	Write-Ins	17		19
36	Blanks	391		447
838	Representative			

	in Congress 10th District			
	William D. Delahunt - Democratic		1331	
1331	Write-Ins Scattered		22	
22	Blanks		444	
444	Councillor 4th District			
	Christopher A. lannella, Jr Democratic	1260	1248	1295
3803	Write-Ins Scattered	13	14	16
43	Blanks	526	535	575
1636	Senator in Gene Bristol District	ral Court	2nd F	Plymouth &
		Thomas P. Kennedy - Democratic.	1328	1295
1338	3961	Write-Ins Scattered	11	14
13	38	Blanks	460	488
535	1483	Representative in General Court 6th Plymouth District		
			Daniel K. Webster - Republican	1328
1314	1400	4042	Write-Ins Scattered	20
21	33	74	Blanks	451
462	453	1366	Register of Probate Plymouth County	
			Robert E. McCarthy Democratic	1283
1258	1308	3849	Write-Ins Scattered	8
8	14	30	Blanks	508
531	564	1603	County Treasurer Plymouth County	
			Thomas J. O'Brien Democratic	915
927	972	2814	Edward J. O'Connell - Republican	669
675	704	2048	Write-Ins Scattered	1
1	2	4	Blanks	214
194	208	616	County Commissioner Plymouth County	
			two to be elected	

			John Patrick Riordan - Democratic	613
665	668	1946	Ronald K. Davy - Republican	526
532	542	1600	Anthony Thomas O'Brien - Democratic	702
672	699	2073	Scott M. Vecchi - Unenrolled	150
165	211	526	Write-Ins Scattered	2
4	3	9	Blanks	1605
1556	1649	4810	Clerk of Courts Plymouth County	
			Robert S. Creedon, Jr Democratic	1296
1289	1333	3918	Write-Ins Scattered	11
11	15	37	Blanks	492
497	538	1527		
			QUESTION 1: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION	
			Do you approve of a summarized below, vote was taken by th the House of Repres before May 6, 2008?	on which no ne Senate or sentatives
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			
		Precinct I	Precinct II	Precinct III
Total	YES	573	572	592
1737	NO	1175	1181	1241
3597	BLANKS	51	44	53
148	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	1799	1797	1886
5482				
	QUESTION 2: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIV PETITION	BY INITIATIVE		
	Do you approve of a law summar which no vote was taken by the S House of Representatives before			ate or the
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 tetrahydrocannibinol ("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.

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		Precinct I	Precinct II	Precinct III
Total	YES	1099	1105	1201
3405	NO	679	670	657
2006	BLANKS	21	22	28
71	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	1799	1797	1886
5482				
	QUESTION 3: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION			
		which no vote	e of a law summarize was taken by the Sen esentatives before Ma	ate or the
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	s governing dog i	racing.
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		Precinct I	Precinct II	Precinct III
Total	YES	643	714	710
2067	NO	1125	1051	1131
3307	BLANKS	31	32	45

108	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	1799	1797	1886
5482	2			
	QUESTION 4:THI	S QUESTION	IS NOT BINDING	
	Shall the state representative from the instructed to vote in favor of legislat would allow seriously ill patients, we doctor's written recommendation, to grow small amounts of marijuana for personal medical use?			tion that ith their possess and
	Precinct I	Precinct II	Precinct III	Total
YES	1125	1138	1254	3517
NO	508	520	482	1510
BLANKS	166	139	150	455
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	1799	1797	1886	5482
A true copy of the vote, Attest:				
Sandra E. Harris, CMMC				