



RECORD OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE VARIOUS PRECINCTS OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE

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	WARD ONE			TOTAL	WARD TWO			TOTAL	WARD THREE			TOTAL
	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	
<u>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST</u>	464	578	399	1441	420	445	422	1287	759	621	742	2122
<u>FOR ALDERMAN - WARD SIX</u>												
John M. (Jack) Connolly, Jr.	17 Winslow Avenue											
Helen Corrigan	76 Irving Street											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR ALDERMAN - WARD SEVEN</u>												
James F. Halloran	152 Powder House Boulevard											
Adam Dash	32 Mead Street											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE - WARD ONE</u>												
Gladys Maged	32 Pearl Street											
Dennis Michael Sullivan	8 Florence Street											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE - WARD TWO</u>												
M. Teresa Cardoso	9 Adrian Street											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE - WARD THREE</u>												
Roberta Bauer	58 Berkeley Street											
Gale Doane	47 Craigie Street											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE - WARD FOUR</u>												
Sean Michael Sylvester	102 Heath Street											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE - WARD FIVE</u>												
Sean T. O'Donovan	31 Rogers Avenue											
Thomas P. Sloane	33 Glenwood Road											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE - WARD SIX</u>												
Carolyn Taylor	29 Powder House Terrace											
Write-Ins												
Blanks												



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WARD FOUR			TOTAL	WARD FIVE			TOTAL	WARD SIX			TOTAL	WARD SEVEN			TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL
1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		
455	457	441	1353	624	636	548	1808	593	623	448	1664	534	555	542	1631	11,306
								244	361	230	835					835
								338	238	202	778					778
								5	1	1	7					7
								6	23	15	44					44
												326	349	381	1056	1056
												193	184	132	509	509
												2	3	0	5	5
												13	19	29	61	61
																669
																702
																9
																61
																942
																20
																325
																1078
																940
																12
																92
335	320	320	975													975
6	12	11	29													29
114	125	110	349													349
							1159									1159
				368	460	331	433									433
				196	115	122	18									18
				11	2	5	198									198
				49	59	90										198
								428	467	332	1227					1227
								17	8	4	29					29
								148	148	112	408					408

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1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		
455	457	441	1353	624	636	548	1808	593	623	448	1664	534	555	542	1631	11,306
												370	415	385	1170	1,170
												13	5	19	37	37
												151	135	138	424	424

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

*Mary Walker*

CHAIRMAN:

RECORD OF ABSENT VOTERS

TABULATED FROM THE TALLY SHEETS OF THE CITY ELECTION HELD NOVEMBER 4, 1997

REGISTERED VOTERS

WARD	PRECINCT	BALLOTS MAILED	BALLOTS CAST	NOT RETURNED	DEFECTIVE	RETURNED TOO LATE	VOTED IN PERSON	HEALTH CARE FACILITY
1	1	9	9				2	
1	2	33	24	5	3	1	1	
1	3	6	3	2	1			
2	1	5	5				1	
2	2	6	6				1	
2	3	6	3	2		1	1	
3	1	16	12	3		1	8	
3	2	12	12				4	26
3	3	16	14	1		1	2	34
4	1	10	7	2	1		3	
4	2	2	1	1			4	
4	3	6	5	1			3	
5	1	19	15	2	2		2	
5	2	13	12	1			9	
5	3	7	6		1		1	
6	1	7	6		1		2	
6	2	5	5				2	
6	3	2		2			5	
7	1	6	6				1	
7	2	7	6			1	1	
7	3	6	5	1			3	
TOTALS		199	162	23	9	5	56	60

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 278

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TABULATED FROM THE TALLY SHEETS OF THE CITY ELECTION HELD NOVEMBER 4, 1997

NON-REGISTERED VOTERS

Ward	Pct	Ballots Mailed	Ballots Cast	Not Returned	Defec- tive	Returned Too Late
1	1					
1	2					
1	3					
2	1					
2	2					
2	3					
3	1					
3	2					
3	3					
4	1					
4	2					
4	3					
5	1					
5	2					
5	3					
6	1					
6	2					
6	3					
7	1					
7	2					
7	3	1	1			
TOTALS:		1	1			

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 1

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	WARD ONE			TOTAL	WARD TWO			TOTAL	WARD THREE			TOTAL
	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	
<u>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST</u>	646	799	693	2138	701	923	899	2523	1046	943	1112	3101
<u>GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR</u>												
Cellucci and Swift Republican	230	305	262	797	214	293	237	744	332	285	403	1020
Harshbarger and Tolman Democratic	393	454	393	1240	455	587	632	1674	675	619	657	1951
Cook and Israel Libertarian	3	15	10	28	7	11	13	31	13	16	22	51
Write-Ins	3	1	4	8	3	1	7	11	3	2	2	7
Blanks	17	24	24	65	22	31	10	63	23	21	28	72
<u>ATTORNEY GENERAL</u>												
Brad Bailey - 12 Sussex Rd., Winchester Rep	131	177	164	472	120	154	153	427	219	161	228	608
Thomas F. Reilly - 60 Palfrey St., Watertown Dem	476	573	494	1543	535	712	691	1938	764	731	801	2296
Write-Ins	0	4	2	6	1	2	7	10	6	3	6	15
Blanks	39	45	33	117	45	55	48	148	57	48	77	182
<u>SECRETARY OF STATE</u>												
William Francis Galvin- 46 Lake St., Boston Dem	504	622	523	1649	538	721	681	1940	796	746	820	2362
Dale C. Jenkins, Jr.-34 Wildmeadow Rd, Boxford Rep	61	82	79	222	60	87	96	243	101	91	113	305
David L Atkinson-4 Priscilla Alden Rd, Provincetown Lib	27	37	33	97	36	43	49	128	58	37	78	173
Write-Ins	0	1	1	2	1	2	2	5	3	0	1	4
Blanks	54	57	57	168	66	70	71	207	88	69	100	257
<u>TREASURER</u>												
Bob Maginn - 14 Farwell Pl, Cambridge Rep	142	183	141	466	129	191	170	490	208	170	255	633
Shannon P O'Brien - 6 Danecca Dr, Whitman Dem	437	538	480	1455	486	640	634	1760	721	690	722	2133
Merton B Baker - 1167 Lower Rd, Hardwick Lib	16	20	18	54	23	18	29	70	33	19	45	97
Write-Ins	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	1	4	1	2	7
Blanks	51	57	53	161	63	74	65	202	80	63	88	231
<u>AUDITOR</u>												
A. Joseph DeNucci-119 Warwick Rd, Newton Dem	451	577	520	1548	503	643	627	1773	757	685	752	2194
Michael T Duffy-14 Lawrence St, Boston Rep	105	114	91	310	107	144	146	397	152	132	178	462
Carla A Howell-6 Goodman Ln, Wayland Lib	35	44	34	113	37	51	53	141	55	63	92	210
Write-Ins	1	1	1	3	0	0	3	3	3	0	1	4
Blanks	54	63	47	164	54	85	70	209	79	63	89	231
<u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS -EIGHTH DISTRICT</u>												
Michael E Capuano-172 Central St, Somerville Dem	541	645	587	1773	558	751	724	2033	846	778	921	2545
Philip Hyde, III-10 Carver St, Somerville Rep	51	91	54	196	55	76	83	214	86	64	86	236
Andrea Morell-26 Grant St, Boston Socialist Workers Unenrolled	20	14	14	48	28	41	37	106	39	41	35	115
Anthony A Schinella-360 Riverway, Boston	13	14	15	42	33	8	27	68	23	24	29	76
Write-Ins	0	3	1	4	3	4	0	7	8	6	10	24
Blanks	21	32	22	75	24	43	28	95	44	30	31	105



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WARD FOUR			TOTAL	WARD FIVE			TOTAL	WARD SIX			TOTAL	WARD SEVEN			TOTAL	TOTALS:		
1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3				
850	888	938	2676	965	1009	1034	3008	1261	1217	912	3390	1156	1044	1140	3340			20,176
376	337	333	1046	372	361	301	1034	325	335	258	918	352	352	446	1150			6,709
443	517	566	1526	557	597	697	1851	896	832	615	2343	757	657	650	2064			12,649
9	10	18	37	19	18	20	57	22	21	18	61	20	19	15	54			319
3	4	2	9	0	4	3	7	4	3	4	11	1	2	0	3			56
19	20	19	58	17	29	13	59	14	26	17	57	26	14	29	69			443
233	199	211	643	221	238	207	666	229	194	168	591	197	185	228	610			4,017
565	626	688	1879	698	713	760	2171	953	944	673	2570	886	793	848	2527			14,924
3	4	2	9	3	1	3	7	6	4	3	13	1	4	4	9			69
49	59	37	145	43	57	64	164	73	75	68	216	72	62	60	194			1,166
628	669	723	2020	760	792	806	2358	958	943	697	2598	901	790	872	2563			15,490
115	96	93	304	85	104	94	283	120	119	80	319	116	102	137	355			2,031
35	47	58	140	51	47	42	140	82	60	41	183	45	62	50	157			1,018
0	3	1	4	2	0	3	5	2	1	3	6	1	3	2	6			32
72	73	63	208	67	66	89	222	99	94	91	284	93	87	79	259			1,605
208	188	204	600	217	227	182	626	235	226	169	630	215	200	260	675			4,120
563	602	648	1813	659	689	732	2080	909	858	640	2407	829	731	766	2326			13,974
17	28	25	70	27	30	38	95	37	34	22	93	23	29	22	74			553
1	3	1	5	1	0	2	3	3	2	3	8	0	2	3	5			31
61	67	60	188	61	63	80	204	77	97	78	252	89	82	89	260			1,498
635	621	662	1918	714	718	725	2157	857	860	625	2342	840	703	808	2351			14,283
135	148	160	443	138	164	155	457	203	182	139	524	154	178	177	509			3,102
26	53	59	138	56	51	73	180	88	66	48	202	75	68	61	204			1,188
0	5	1	6	0	1	3	4	2	1	2	5	0	3	1	4			29
54	61	56	171	57	75	78	210	111	108	98	317	87	92	93	272			1,574
704	751	810	2265	825	853	855	2533	1037	983	728	2748	982	878	975	2835			16,732
79	59	66	204	61	78	77	216	109	86	70	265	68	78	88	234			1,565
17	22	24	63	23	29	39	91	44	46	40	130	30	29	27	86			639
15	18	18	51	24	21	29	74	37	46	32	115	36	22	20	78			504
3	4	1	8	3	3	1	7	2	9	4	15	4	0	2	6			71
32	34	19	85	29	25	33	87	32	47	38	117	36	37	28	101			665

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<u>COUNCILLOR - Sixth District</u>												
Michael J Callahan - 500 Salem St, Medford Dem	509	607	555	1671	524	703	672	1899	786	719	820	2325
Write-Ins	7	7	6	20	2	15	11	28	18	5	14	37
Blanks	130	185	132	447	175	205	216	596	242	219	278	739
<u>Essex District</u>												
<u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT- Middlesex, Suffolk, &amp;</u>												
Thomas F Birmingham - 9 Nichols St, Chelsea Dem	510			510	531			531				
Write-Ins	9			9	7			7				
Blanks	127			127	163			163				
<u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT - Second Middlesex District</u>												
Charles E Shannon, Jr - 17 Robinson Pk, Winchester Dem		632	562	1194		716	669	1385	811	741	860	2412
Write-Ins		10	12	22		15	14	29	18	6	11	35
Blanks		157	119	276		192	216	408	217	196	241	654
<u>District</u>												
<u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - 29th Middlesex</u>												
Timothy J Toomey, Jr - 88th Sixth St, Cambridge Dem	519	622	560	1701	545	720		1265				
Write-Ins	6	6	9	21	4	15		19				
Blanks	121	171	124	416	152	188		340				
<u>District</u>												
<u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - 30th Middlesex</u>												
Patricia D Jehlen - 67 Dane St, Somerville Dem							705	705	849	766	829	2444
Ronald A Bargoot - 16 Wallace St, Somerville Lib							96	96	99	87	156	342
Write-Ins							8	8	6	0	4	10
Blanks							90	90	92	90	123	305
<u>District</u>												
<u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - 37th Middlesex</u>												
Vincent Paul Ciampa - 64 Ossipee Rd, Somerville Dem												
Write-Ins												
Blanks												
<u>DISTRICT ATTORNEY Northern District</u>												
Martha Coakley - 68 Rawson Rd, Arlington Dem	457	558	493	1508	541	713	679	1933	785	718	825	2328
Lee Johnson - 28 Ninth St, Medford Rep	118	159	127	404	92	119	138	349	173	144	182	499
Write-Ins	0	1	2	3	0	3	3	6	7	2	3	12
Blanks	71	81	71	223	68	88	79	235	81	79	102	262
<u>SHERIFF Middlesex County</u>												
James V DiPaola - 27 Pagum St, Malden Dem	520	617	559	1696	533	703	688	1924	797	734	832	2363
Write-Ins	8	9	6	23	5	14	10	29	15	4	8	27
Blanks	118	173	128	419	163	206	201	570	234	205	272	711

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1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3									
850	888	938	2676	965	1009	1034	3008	1261	1217	912	3390	1156	1044	1140	3340								20,176
656	664	708	2028	746	767	739	2252	915	881	642	2438	827	784	847	2458								15,071
5	11	13	29	10	8	14	32	11	17	9	37	14	5	9	28								211
189	213	217	619	209	234	281	724	335	319	261	915	315	255	284	854								4,894
																							1,041
																							16
																							290
681	682	729	2092	775	786	765	2326	939	910	651	2500	875	819	872	2566								14,475
3	13	14	30	11	11	17	39	12	16	9	37	8	10	13	31								223
166	193	195	554	179	212	252	643	310	291	252	853	273	215	255	743								4,131
	670		670																				3,636
	10		10																				50
	208		208																				964
				730	792	816	2338	1015	966	695	2676												8,163
				141	122	115	378	121	141	98	360												1,176
				2	4	0	6	4	3	9	16												40
				92	91	103	286	121	107	110	338												1,019
660		704	1364									846	771	851	2468								3,832
13		28	41									28	27	33	88								129
177		206	383									282	246	256	784								1,167
582	628	684	1894	714	732	771	2217	962	947	678	2587	858	788	834	2480								14,947
182	162	188	532	169	198	145	512	185	177	131	493	188	160	205	553								3,342
4	3	2	9	2	2	2	6	2	1	6	9	2	2	2	6								51
82	95	64	241	80	77	116	273	112	92	97	301	108	94	99	301								1,836
677	671	725	2073	771	769	775	2315	898	886	657	2441	850	803	870	2523								15,335
8	14	12	34	5	10	8	23	15	13	6	34	14	9	10	33								203
165	203	201	569	189	230	251	670	348	318	249	915	292	232	260	784								4,638

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Question #1 Proposed Amendment to the Constitution

**QUESTION 1  
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO  
THE CONSTITUTION**

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below, which was approved by the General Court in joint sessions of the two houses on July 29, 1996 (yeas 127 - nays 65); and again on June 9, 1998 (yeas 149 - nays 41)?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed constitutional amendment would prohibit the state Legislature from changing the base compensation received by members of the Legislature as of January 1, 1996. As of the first Wednesday in January of 2001, and every second year thereafter, the base compensation would be increased or decreased at the same rate as increases or decreases in the median household income for the Commonwealth for the preceding two-year period, as ascertained by the Governor.

A YES VOTE would prohibit state legislators from changing their base pay and instead would adjust that pay according to changes in median household income.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the method for setting legislators' base pay.

Yes	379	458	402	1239	373	566	564	1503	619	560	666	1845
No	118	193	170	481	198	219	237	654	268	249	298	815
Blanks	149	148	121	418	130	138	98	366	159	134	148	441

Question #2 Law Proposed by Initiative Petition

**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, 1998?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would create a new voluntary system allowing candidates for state office who agree to campaign spending limits and \$100 contribution limits to receive a set amount of public funds for their campaigns, starting with the 2002 election. The proposed law would also limit transfers of money from national political parties to state political parties for administrative, overhead, or party-building activities. It would also require candidates for state office who had raised or spent at least a set minimum amount in an election cycle to file their required campaign finance reports with the state electronically, and the public would have prompt electronic access to such reports.

The new funding system would replace the existing system of limited public financing of campaigns for statewide office. To participate in the new system, a candidate would have to raise a minimum number of contributions from

registered voters in the relevant district, as follows: Governor, 6000; Lt. Governor, Attorney General, or Treasurer, 3000; Secretary of State or Auditor, 2000; Executive Councillor, 400; State Senator, 450; State Representative, 200. Such contributions would have to be between \$5 and \$100 and be collected during a limited period: for statewide candidates beginning on August 1 of the year before the election, for other candidates beginning on January 1 of the election year, and for all candidates ending on the last day to file nomination papers with the Secretary of State.

For any election, a participating candidate could not accept contributions of more than \$100 from any person or political committee and could not raise or spend any money other than these contributions and public funds.

Candidates meeting all of these requirements would, subject to appropriation by the Legislature, receive public funding in the primary and general elections. This would come from a new state Clean Elections Fund, consisting of amounts voluntarily contributed through the checkoff on the state income tax return, any amounts appropriated by the Legislature, and any money in the existing state election campaign fund.

The chart below shows the amounts of public funds a candidate could receive in the primary and general elections. A candidate could raise and spend private contributions in order to bring his or her spending up to the spending limit shown below.

Office	Primary Election: Public Funds	Primary Election: Spending Limit	General Election: Public Funds	General Election: Spending Limit
Governor	\$1,500,000	\$1,800,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,200,000
Lt. Governor	\$383,000	\$450,000	\$255,000	\$300,000
Attorney General or Treasurer	\$360,000	\$450,000	\$240,000	\$300,000
Secretary of State or Auditor	\$120,000	\$150,000	\$80,000	\$100,000
Councillor	\$19,000	\$24,000	\$13,000	\$16,000
Senator	\$43,000	\$54,000	\$29,000	\$36,000
Representative	\$15,000	\$18,000	\$9,000	\$12,000

A participating candidate running unopposed would receive only half the listed amount of public funds and could spend correspondingly less than a candidate with an opponent. All funds could be spent only for campaign purposes. Any unspent public funds from a primary or general election would have to be returned after that election. A participating candidate who violated the contribution or spending limits would have to return all public funds, become ineligible for further funds, and in some cases pay fines.

Candidates who do not accept public funds would have to report any spending in excess of the limit shown above and could be fined for failing to do so. If such a non-participating candidate spent more than the limit, participating candidates in that race would immediately receive, and could spend, public "matching funds" equal to the amount of the excess spending. The total amount of public funding (including matching funds) a candidate could receive would be limited to twice the spending limit for that race. During the general election campaign, running mates for Governor and Lt. Governor would be treated as teams in order to determine the distribution of any matching funds.

An individual or political committee's total in-kind contributions (such as goods and some services) to a participating candidate would be limited to \$500 per election. Higher limits would govern political parties' in-kind contributions. Participating candidates could not accept more than a set amount in such contributions, ranging from \$3,000 per election for Representative up to \$35,000 for Governor.

The expenditure, contribution, and public funding limits would be adjusted every two years for inflation. A special commission (including elected officials and private citizens) would be set up to meet every two years to review the system and recommend any needed changes. The state Director of Campaign Finance could issue regulations to interpret and enforce the proposed law.

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

A YES VOTE would change the laws governing public financing of campaigns.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws governing public financing of campaigns.

Yes	413	465	405	1283	456	628	607	1691	709	639	741	2089
No	141	215	180	536	164	193	228	585	241	208	264	713
Blanks	92	119	108	319	81	102	64	247	96	96	107	299

AT THE STATE ELECTION HELD THEREIN, NOVEMBER 3, 1998

WARD FOUR			TOTAL	WARD FIVE			TOTAL	WARD SIX			TOTAL	WARD SEVEN			TOTAL	TOTALS:	
1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3			
850	888	938	2676	965	1009	1034	3008	1261	1217	912	3390	1156	1044	1140	3340		20,176
462	524	582	1568	585	626	630	1841	745	716	565	2026	721	578	694	1993		12,015
186	219	230	635	265	261	276	802	390	352	242	984	308	256	267	831		5,202
202	145	126	473	115	122	128	365	126	149	105	380	127	210	179	516		2,959
508	568	583	1659	613	657	690	1960	874	823	618	2315	767	687	751	2205		13,202
220	238	259	717	270	263	254	787	307	269	215	791	284	245	294	823		4,952
122	82	96	300	82	89	90	261	80	125	79	284	105	112	95	312		2,022

RECORD OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE VARIOUS PRECINCTS OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE

	WARD ONE			TOTAL	WARD TWO			TOTAL	WARD THREE			TOTAL
	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	
<u>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST</u>	646	799	693	2138	701	923	899	2523	1046	943	1112	3101
Question #3 Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition												

**QUESTION 3  
LAW PROPOSED BY AN 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, 1998?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would change the state income tax rate on interest and dividend income, which was 12% as of September 1997, to whatever rate applies to Part B taxable income (such as wages and salaries), which was 5.95% as of September 1997. The change would take effect starting in tax year 2000.

A YES VOTE would reduce the state tax rate for interest and dividend income.  
A NO VOTE would make no change in the current state tax rate for interest and dividend income.

Yes	423	529	456	1408	427	559	575	1561	637	588	696	1921
No	124	158	128	410	186	260	252	698	302	259	301	862
Blanks	99	112	109	320	88	104	72	264	107	96	115	318
Question #4 Referendum on an Existing Law												

**QUESTION 4  
REFERENDUM ON AN EXISTING LAW**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was approved by the House of Representatives on November 19, 1997 by a vote of 124 to 30, approved by the Senate on November 18, 1997 by a vote of 32 to 6?

**SUMMARY**

The law changes the state's electric utility industry. Starting in March 1998, instead of buying power from the utility that owns the power lines, customers may choose to buy power from separate generating companies competing with each other to sell power to be delivered by the existing utility. Customers not choosing a new competing generating company will be provided power by their existing utility under a transition rate for 7 years, starting from a rate 10% less than 1997 rates. By September 1999, rates for such customers must be further reduced from 1997 rates (adjusted for inflation) by 5%. Subject to restrictions in the law, rates paid by such customers may be adjusted up or down if approved by the new state Department of Telecommunications and Energy (DTE).

The law lets a utility recover, from customers, previously incurred costs related to generating plants and contracts that have become uneconomical under competition. Utilities must first reduce such "transition costs" in all reasonable ways, which may include selling non-nuclear generating plants. DTE must approve such sales and the utility's way of financing transition costs, and DTE may limit which costs may be charged to customers. Public agencies may arrange the sale of special bonds to help a utility finance transition costs to provide savings to customers.

Utilities claiming they cannot offer the required rate reductions must work with DTE to find all possible ways to do so. State tax revenues related to sales of power plants may be used, if found necessary by DTE and subject to legislative appropriation, to ensure that utilities provide the 15% rate reduction. Utilities must maintain discounts for low-income customers.

DTE must issue consumer protection and related regulations related to energy sales, and the law lets the state Attorney General enforce consumer protection laws and regulations against energy companies. To maintain reliability, DTE must set performance-based rates and service quality standards for electric and gas utilities. Utilities failing to meet the standards may be fined up to 2% of their annual revenues.

Such utilities will not be allowed to cut staff levels unless either the relevant unions agree or DTE finds that the cuts will not lead to sub-standard service. Utility employees who are laid off due to the law will, if eligible for unemployment benefits, also be eligible for reemployment assistance benefits.

If a generating plant loses value due to the law, the responsible company must pay the affected city or town until 2009 to offset lost property tax revenue. Cities and towns may set up power purchasing cooperatives for local customers. Businesses and other organizations may also set up cooperatives. A municipal lighting plant that chooses to sell power outside its own service area must compete with other generating companies within its service area.

The law requires electric utilities to continue energy efficiency and demand management programs until 2003 and directs DTE to ensure that such programs are cost effective. The law imposes a charge on electricity consumers to promote renewable energy projects and to help cities and towns pay to add pollution control equipment to existing trash-to-energy plants. By 2003, power suppliers must provide an annually increasing percentage of power from new renewable sources, and fossil-fuel power plants must start to meet efficiency standards limiting pollution. The law ends the requirement that the state find a need for a proposed power plant but preserves environmental reviews.

The law changes the State Department of Public Utilities to the new DTE, controlled by a 5-member commission with expertise on specified issues. The law gives the state Division of Energy Resources new duties related to energy restructuring, such as educating consumers and helping cities and towns.

A YES VOTE would continue the new law changing the electric utility industry.  
A NO VOTE would undo these changes in the electric utility industry.

Yes	434	506	468	1408	430	583	540	1553	645	571	661	1877
No	138	216	156	510	216	258	301	775	329	300	353	982
Blanks	74	77	69	220	55	82	58	195	72	72	98	242

AT THE STATE ELECTION HELD THEREIN, NOVEMBER 3, 1998

WARD FOUR			TOTAL WARD FIVE			TOTAL WARD SIX			TOTAL WARD SEVEN			TOTAL			TOTALS:		
1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3			
850	888	938	2676	965	1009	1034	3008	1261	1217	912	3390	1156	1044	1140	3340		20,176
589	598	624	1811	674	680	644	1998	794	715	563	2072	746	690	761	2197		12,968
143	198	217	558	212	223	289	724	373	357	263	993	290	239	255	784		5,029
118	92	97	307	79	106	101	286	94	145	86	325	120	115	124	359		2,179
551	583	597	1731	619	629	598	1846	687	675	524	1886	715	668	771	2154		12,455
205	240	277	722	291	306	360	957	491	438	327	1256	349	294	301	944		6,146
94	65	64	223	55	74	76	205	83	104	61	248	92	82	68	242		1,575

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*Mary Walker*

CHAIRMAN

RECORD OF ABSENT VOTERS

TABULATED FROM THE TALLY SHEETS OF THE STATE ELECTION HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1998

REGISTERED VOTERS

Ward	Precinct	Ballots Mailed	Ballots Cast	Not Returned	Defective	Returned Too late	Voted In Person	Health Care Facility	Partial Ballots
1	1	15	12	1	1	1	3		
1	2	20	19	1			3		
1	3	13	9	2	2		3		
2	1	12	10	1		1	6		
2	2	18	11	5	2		9		
2	3	17	15	1		1	9		
3	1	19	18		1		12		
3	2	24	20	2	1	1	6	19	
3	3	25	19	3	1	2	7	28	
4	1	21	19		1	1	3	1	
4	2	7	7				6		
4	3	11	9	1	1		6		
5	1	9	7	2			3		
5	2	19	14	4	1		9		
5	3	25	20	2	1	2	8		
6	1	23	19	2	1	1	8		
6	2	14	13	1			8		
6	3	10	9	1			6		
7	1	19	14	4		1	10		
7	2	27	20	1	5	1	5		
7	3	9	7	1	1		9		
TOTALS:		357	291	35	19	12	139	48	

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 478



RECORD OF ABSENT VOTERS

TABULATED FROM THE TALLY SHEETS OF THE STATE ELECTION HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1998

		UNREGISTERED VOTERS																		
WARD	PREC	Ballots Mailed	Ballots Cast	Not Returned	Defec- tive	Returned too late														
1	1																			
1	2																			
1	3																			
2	1		2	2																
2	2		2	1	1															
2	3																			
3	1		1	1																
3	2																			
3	3																			
4	1																			
4	2																			
4	3																			
5	1																			
5	2																			
5	3																			
6	1																			
6	2																			
6	3		2	2																
7	1																			
7	2		1		1															
7	3		1	1																
TOTALS:			9	7	2															

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 7

RECORD OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE VARIOUS PRECINCTS OF THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE

	WARD ONE			TOTAL	WARD TWO			TOTAL	WARD THREE			TOTAL
	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	
<u>TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST</u>	480	667	519	1666	428	442	453	1323	782	710	742	2234
<u>For Mayor:</u>												
John R Buonomo      145 Central Street	291	360	321	972	193	202	216	611	299	267	381	947
Dorothy A Kelly Gay      1 Avon Street	188	296	194	678	231	237	236	704	465	436	355	1256
Write-Ins	0	7	0	7	2	1	0	3	8	6	3	17
Blanks	1	4	4	9	2	2	1	5	10	1	3	14

AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD THEREIN MAY 11, 1999 FOR MAYOR

WARD FOUR				TOTAL			WARD FIVE			TOTAL			WARD SIX			TOTAL			WARD SEVEN			TOTAL			TOTALS:				
1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3							
637	661	626	1924	678	751	648	2077	697	777	588	2062	709	776	687	2172														13,458
365	358	306	1029	364	287	305	956	262	286	217	765	347	442	404	1193														6,473
266	294	316	876	310	458	333	1101	430	488	364	1282	359	332	282	973														6,870
			7																										58
2	3	2		1	2	8	11	4	2	4	10	3	0	0	3														57
4	6	2	12	3	4	2	9	1	1	3	5	0	2	1	3														

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 MARY WALKER, CHAIRMAN

RECORD OF ABSENT VOTERS

TABULATED FROM THE TALLY SHEETS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD MAY 11, 1999 FOR MAYOR

REGISTERED VOTERS

Ward	Precinct	Ballots Mailed	Ballots Cast	Not Returned	Defec- tive	Returned Too Late	Voted In Person	Health Care Facility
1	1	17	14	3			1	
1	2	41	33	8			6	
1	3	14	12	1	1			
2	1	13	12		1		4	
2	2	4	2	1	1		2	
2	3	10	10				4	
3	1	29	23	5	1		6	
3	2	27	25	1	1		6	19
3	3	20	17	3			6	42
4	1	13	13				2	
4	2	12	12				6	
4	3	10	10				4	
5	1	6	4	2			5	
5	2	11	5	4		2	4	
5	3	12	10	1	1		1	
6	1	17	16	1			8	
6	2	6	5	1			8	
6	3	8	6	1	1		2	
7	1	7	7				1	
7	2	31	27	3	1		2	
7	3	6	5			1	5	
<u>TOTALS:</u>		314	268	35	8	3	83	61















AT THE CITY ELECTION HELD THEREIN, NOVEMBER 2, 1999

WARD FOUR			TOTAL	WARD FIVE			TOTAL	WARD SIX			TOTAL	WARD SEVEN			TOTAL	GRAND TOTAL	
1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3			
580	538	579	1697	631	686	596	1913	523	565	376	1464	449	507	433	1389		10,803
												316	362	318	996		996
												5	3	6	14		14
												128	142	109	379		379
325	355	390	1070	418	461	406	1285	358	380	266	1004	301	314	280	895		7148
65	68	62	195	83	86	78	247	81	75	61	217	75	60	72	207		1338
190	115	127	432	130	139	112	381	84	110	49	243	73	133	81	287		2317

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CHAIRMAN