

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

STATE ELECTION

BLACKSTONE

William Francis Galvin
Secretary of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

OFFICIAL SPECIMEN BALLOT

Tuesday, November 6, 2018

2052/2052

To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the candidate's name. To vote for a person not on the ballot, write the person's name and residence in the blank space provided and fill in the oval.

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Vote for ONE

ELIZABETH A. WARREN Democratic
24 Linden St., Cambridge Candidate for Re-election

GEOFF DIEHL Republican
10 Village Way, Whitman Candidate for Re-election

SHIVA AYYADURAI Independent
69 South Hill Rd., Boston Candidate for Re-election

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GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Vote for ONE

BAKER and POLITO Republican

GONZALEZ and PALFREY Democratic

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ATTORNEY GENERAL

Vote for ONE

MAURA HEALEY Democratic
40 West 70th St., Boston Candidate for Re-election

JAMES R. McMAHON, III Republican
14 Central View Rd., Boston Candidate for Re-election

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SECRETARY OF STATE

Vote for ONE

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN Democratic
46 Lake St., Boston Candidate for Re-election

ANTHONY M. AMORE Republican
187 Norfolk Ave., Southwick Candidate for Re-election

JUAN G. SANCHEZ, JR. Green-Rainbow
367 West St., Holyoke Candidate for Re-election

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TREASURER

Vote for ONE

DEBORAH B. GOLOBERG Democratic
27 Highland St., Boston Candidate for Re-election

KEIKO M. ORRALL Republican
126 Oxford Ln., Lakeside Candidate for Re-election

JAMIE M. GUERIN Green-Rainbow
365 Pleasant St., Northampton Candidate for Re-election

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AUDITOR

Vote for ONE

SUZANNE M. BUMP Democratic
6 Blue Spruce St., Easton Candidate for Re-election

HELEN BRADY Republican
1029 Mount Pleasant St., Concord Candidate for Re-election

DANIEL FISHMAN Libertarian
35 Cottage Rd., Beverly Candidate for Re-election

EDWARD J. STAMAS Green-Rainbow
42 Laurel Park, Northampton Candidate for Re-election

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Vote for ONE

JAMES P. MCGOVERN Democratic
383 Burnside St., Worcester Candidate for Re-election

TRACY LYN LOVVORN Republican
225 May II Dr., Sutton Candidate for Re-election

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COUNCILLOR

Vote for ONE

JENNIE L. CAISSIE Republican
53 Ford Hill Rd., Oxford Candidate for Re-election

PAUL M. DePALO Democratic
7 Underwood St., Worcester Candidate for Re-election

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SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

Vote for ONE

RYAN C. FATTMAN Republican
5 Maple Ln., Sutton Candidate for Re-election

THOMAS M. MEROLLI Democratic
52 Wilbur St., Worcester Candidate for Re-election

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REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Vote for ONE

PATRICK J. MALONE Democratic
81 Elmwood Dr., Oxford Candidate for Re-election

MICHAEL J. SOTER Republican
40 Foxboro Rd., Framingham Candidate for Re-election

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Vote for ONE

JOSEPH D. EARLY, JR. Democratic
36 Elmwood Dr., Worcester Candidate for Re-election

BLAKE J. RUBIN Independent
23 Erie St., Holden Candidate for Re-election

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CLERK OF COURTS

Vote for ONE

DENNIS P. McMANUS Democratic
5 Olive Cottage Farm Rd., West Boylston Candidate for Re-election

JOANNE E. POWELL Republican
19 Deane Ln., Charlton Candidate for Re-election

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REGISTER OF DEEDS

Vote for ONE

KATE D. CAMPANALE Republican
1510 Main St., Worcester Candidate for Re-election

KATHRYN A. TOOMEY Democratic
27 North Ave., Worcester Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

JOSEPH M. HALL
311 Caroline Dr., Ellington Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

JOSEPH A. BRODERICK
147 Lakeside Dr., Blackstone Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

JOHN C. LAVIN, III
15 Fairview St., Blackstone Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

ANTHONY M. YITTS
54 Lincoln Hill Rd., Blackstone Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

MITCHELL A. INTINARELLI
13 Dunaway St., Hopedale Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

DENNIS P. BRAUN
41 Central Ex., Mendon Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

PAUL J. BRAZA
4 Azor Dr., Wrentham Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

CHESTER P. HANRATTY, JR.
26 Gold St., Mattituck Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

GERALD M. FINN
47 Grove St., Middleboro Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

JEFF T. KOOPMAN
410 Quaker St., North Attle Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

JULIE H. MITCHELL
82 Dodge Rd., Sutton Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

DAVID R. BARTLETT
21 West St., Uxbridge Candidate for Re-election

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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Vote for not more than ONE

JAMES H. EBBELING
24 Sherman St., Uxbridge Candidate for Re-election

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You may vote for every position on the Blackstone Valley Regional School District Committee regardless of where you reside in the District.

VOTE BOTH SIDES

**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 2, 2016?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would limit how many patients could be assigned to each registered nurse in Massachusetts hospitals and certain other health care facilities. The maximum number of patients per registered nurse would vary by type of unit and level of care, as follows:

- In units with step-down/intermediate care patients: 3 patients per nurse.
- In units with post-anesthesia care or operating room patients: 1 patient under anesthesia per nurse, 2 patients post-anesthesia per nurse.
- In the emergency services department: 1 critical or intensive care patient per nurse (or 2 if the nurse has assessed each patient's condition as stable), 2 urgent non-stable patients per nurse, 3 urgent stable patients per nurse, or 5 non-urgent stable patients per nurse.
- In units with maternity patients: (a) active labor patients: 1 patient per nurse, (b) during birth and for up to two hours immediately postpartum: 1 mother per nurse and 1 baby per nurse, (c) when the condition of the mother and baby are determined to be stable: 1 mother and her baby or babies per nurse, (d) postpartum: 6 patients per nurse, (e) intermediate care or continuing care babies: 2 babies per nurse, (f) well-babies: 6 babies per nurse.
- In units with pediatric, medical, surgical, telemetry, or observational/outpatient treatment patients, or any other unit: 4 patients per nurse; and
- In units with psychiatric or rehabilitation patients: 5 patients per nurse.

The proposed law would require a covered facility to comply with the patient assignment limits without reducing its level of nursing, service, maintenance, clerical, professional, and other staff.

The proposed law would also require every covered facility to develop a written patient acuity tool for each unit to evaluate the condition of each patient. This tool would be used by nurses in deciding whether patient limits should be lower than the limits of the proposed law at any given time.

The proposed law would not override any contract in effect on January 1, 2019 that set higher patient limits. The proposed law's limits would take effect after any such contract expired.

The state Health Policy Commission would be required to promulgate regulations to implement the proposed law. The Commission could conduct inspections to ensure compliance with the law. Any facility receiving written notice from the Commission of a complaint or a violation would be required to submit a written compliance 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 \$25,000 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 and 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

**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 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, the state Attorney General, 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 this commission.

YES

NO

**QUESTION 3
REFERENDUM ON AN EXISTING LAW**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, which was approved by the House of Representatives and the Senate on July 7, 2016?

SUMMARY

This law adds gender identity to the list of prohibited grounds for discrimination in places of public accommodation, resort, or amusement. Such grounds also include race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, disability, and ancestry. A "place of public accommodation, resort or amusement" is defined in existing law as any place that is open to and accepts or solicits the patronage of the general public, such as hotels, stores, restaurants, theaters, sports facilities, and hospitals. "Gender identity" is defined as a person's sincerely held gender-related identity, appearance, or behavior, whether or not it is different from that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth.

This law prohibits discrimination based on gender identity in a person's admission to or treatment in any place of public accommodation. The law requires any such place that has separate areas for males and females (such as restrooms) to allow access to and full use of those areas consistent with a person's gender identity. The law also prohibits the owner or manager of a place of public accommodation from using advertising or signage that discriminates on the basis of gender identity.

This law directs the state Commission Against Discrimination to adopt rules or policies and make recommendations to carry out this law. The law also directs the state Attorney General to issue regulations or guidance on referring for legal action any person who asserts gender identity for an improper purpose.

The provisions of this law governing access to places of public accommodation are effective as of October 1, 2016. The remaining provisions are effective as of July 8, 2016.

A YES VOTE would keep in place the current law, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender identity in places of public accommodation.

A NO VOTE would repeal this provision of the public accommodation law.

YES

NO

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING