

9 Ballot Questions for November; 1 in December



Town Councilor Jesse Gordon says, "I'm asking you to VOTE on November 3rd and December 8th. There are nine ballot questions for Nov. 3 – my recommendations are below, with links for further information. On Dec. 8, Randolph will hold a special election for a "Prop 2½ override" – I'm recommending NO on this "blind override." If you agree – or disagree! – with my recommendations, please **Go Vote** to say so!"



YES on 1 Make all state legislature records public		Jesse says, " YES on question 1 ; the voters agreed 72% YES in 2024 to audit the legislature, and the Legislature has been fighting it ever since. What are they hiding?" Democratic Party says NO; Governor Healey and Auditor DiZoglio say YES. Progressive Mass says YES; Gun rights organizations say NO.
YES on 2 Labor Unions for defense lawyers		Jesse says, " YES on question 2 ; public defenders are the 'Good Guys' in court, defending people against the state, and are poorly paid. Let them have a union!" SEIU and other unions say YES; Progressive Mass says YES.
YES on 3 Top-Two Non-Partisan Primaries		Jesse says, " YES on question 3 ; many states hold non-partisan primaries; those 'jungle primaries' increase voter participation! Let's take away power from the two parties and give power to the people!" Democratic Party says NO; Republican Party says NO; Progressive Mass says NO; candidates from both parties say YES and NO.
YES on 4 Same-day voter registration		Jesse says, " YES on question 4 ; turnout in Sept. 2026 primaries was under 15%; this measure would greatly increase that! We get ONE DAY in each election year for same-day registration – let's increase that to 365 days a year!" Democratic Party says YES; Progressive Mass says YES; "voting integrity" supporters say NO.
NO on 5 State Revenue Limit & Rebate		Jesse says, " NO on question 5 ; capping state taxes by a formula hurts town budgets. And this measure would require rebate/refund checks if over the cap – a gimmick!" Business groups say YES; Progressive Mass says NO; SEIU & MTA unions say NO
YES on 6 Nature-for-All Fund		Jesse says, " YES on question 6 ; to set aside sales tax from recreational sales, to use on parks. Now, parks have to compete with other spending, and usually get short-changed!" Mass Audubon says YES; The Nature Conservancy says YES.
YES on 7 Smaller Home Lot Sizes		Jesse says, " YES on question 7 ; Massachusetts need 'starter homes' on small lots (1/8 acre or 5,000 square feet for single-family homes), to fulfill the American Dream of starting a family in the suburbs." Progressive Mass says YES; Municipal associations say NO.
NO on 8 Ban recreational marijuana		Jesse says, " NO on question 8 ; this measure would replace town choice with a statewide ban (with only civil penalties). A 'NO' vote leaves state law alone, so cities and towns can decide to allow selling marijuana or not." Progressive Mass says NO; Business associations say NO; "drug warriors" say YES.
YES on 9 Overturn Firearm Regulations		Jesse says, " YES on question 9 ; we should keep our sensible laws restricting assault weapons, and requiring serial numbers for tracking. A 'No' vote would overturn H. 4885 passed in 2024, and throw away those sensible laws." Progressive Mass says YES; Gun rights organizations say NO.
NO on 2½ NO on Dec. 8 th Prop 2½ "Blind Override" of \$9.5 million townwide tax increase		Jesse says " NO on Dec. 8 ; the \$9.5 million will go to wherever the Town Manager and Town Council decide, without any input from the public -- they want us to blindly trust that they will allocate \$9.5 million well! The PUBLIC should decide where property tax increases go -- that's called a 'menu override.' I support more funds for our schools and more funds for our infrastructure--let the people vote on each tax increase item individually, with allocated dollar amounts. Let's reject the 'blind override' in December and we can then have a 'menu override' vote in the spring!" Town Manager says YES; Town Council says YES.