## TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS

## **PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 1**

## WATER SUPPLY BOND ISSUE

Should the "Water Supply Bond Act of 1981" which authorizes the State to issue bonds in the amount of \$350,000,000.00 for the purposes of rehabilitating, repairing or consolidating antiquated, damaged or inadequately operating water supply facilities, and for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of water supply facilities, all as recommended by the New Jersey Statewide Water Supply Plan, and providing the ways and means to pay and discharge the principal thereof, be approved?

## Interpretive Statement

Approval of this act would authorize the sale of \$350,000,000.00 in bonds to be used for the rehabilitation, repair or consolidation of existing water supply facilities and for the planning, design, acquisition and construction of water supply facilities, all as recommended by the New Jersey Statewide Water Supply Plan, to solve water supply problems in different areas of New Jersey and to assure the availability of safe, adequate and reliable water supplies to the people of the State.

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	31,985	17,105
	182,594	77.281
Bergen	51.605	33,179
Burlington	7	47,515
Camden	68,466	•
Cape May	14,358	11,435
Cumberland	10,708	15,305
Essex	111,579	32,310
Gloucester	. 28,816	32,022
Hudson	69.468	28,893
	11.966	10,577
Hunterdon	52,977	23,269
Mercer	88,693	54,278
Middlesex	•	47,355
Monmouth	89,316	
Morris	78,744	37,332
Ocean	55,764	44,553
Passaic	50,542	24,651
Salem	7,750	10,456
Somerset	35,250	22,928
Sussex	14,735	14,545
	89,268	39,363
Union	10,270	10,482
Warren		
Total	1,154,854	634,834

## PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 2

## HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE BOND ACT

Shall the act entitled "Hazardous Discharge Bond Act," which authorizes the state to issue bonds in the amount of \$100,000,000.00 for the identification of and the efficient cleanup and prompt removal of hazardous discharges, and which provides ways and means to pay and discharge the principal and to pay the interest on the debt created by the sale of said bonds, be approved?

## Interpretive Statement

"Approval of this act will authorize the State to issue \$100,000,000,000 in bonds to finance the identification, cleanup and removal of hazardous discharges and provide a means for the payment of the principal and interest of the debt created by the sale of these bonds."

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	33,688	14,776
Bergen	161.956	90,405
Burlington	57.012	28,189
Camden	74.010	41,928
Cape May	16,058	9,544
Cumberland	14,175	11,765
Essex	97,234	42,117
	36,502	23,042
Gloucester	60,946	32,909
Hudson	11.749	9.986
Hunterdon	47.939	24,615
Mercer	86,370	53,433
Middlesex	86,404	47,450
Monmouth	71.404	42,445
Morris		43,554
Ocean	57,987	
Passaic	46,320	30,946
Salem	9,297	8,556
Somerset	34,989	22,476
Sussex	14,704	14,157
Union	79,625	45,441
Warren	10,701	9,823
Total	1,109,070	647,557

## **PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 3**

## **FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOND ACT**

Shall the act entitled "Farmland Preservation Bond Act" which authorizes the State to issue bonds in the amount of \$50,000,000.00 to fund up to 50% of the cost of acquisition of development easements on farmland and for soil and water conservation projects on land devoted to farmland preservation under programs established by law, and which provides ways and means to pay the interest on the debt by the sale of said bonds, be approved?

#### Interpretive Statement

Approval of this act will provide \$50,000,000.00 for appropriation by the Legislature for grants to counties and municipalities for up to 50% of the cost of the acquisition of development easements on farmland and for grants to landowners for up to 50% of the cost of soil and water conservation projects. Both types of grants would only be made with respect to land devoted to farmland preservation under programs established by a board, committee or other public body specifically authorized by law to do so.

For the purposes of this act, a development easement represents the interest in land which enables the owner to develop that land for nonagricultural purposes.

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	31,839	15,985
Bergen	152,892	91,345
Burlington	54,686	27,702
Camden	67,213	46,573
Cape May	15,588	9,093
Cumberland	14,485	11,583
Essex	88,258	48,053
Gloucester	36,341	23,427
Hudson	60,423	33,142
Hunterdon	14,894	7,842
Mercer	48,206	26,405
Middlesex	80,653	58,506
Monmouth	82,773	51,011
Morris	68,545	44,071
Ocean	58,223	42,927
Passaic	41,938	31,273
Salem	9,285	8.078
Somerset	36,027	21,336
Sussex	17,289	12,026
Union	73,881	49,500
Warren	12,557	8,394
Total	1,065,996	668,172

#### **PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 4**

## WATER CONSERVATION BOND ACT INTEREST RATE CEILING ELIMINATION

Should the "Water Conservation Bond Interest Rate Ceiling Elimination Act" be approved?

## Interpretive Statement

Approval of this act will remove the 6% interest rate ceiling on the 1969 Water Conservation Bonds and facilitate the sale of those bonds which have not yet been issued.

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	26,377	16,133
Bergen	127,387	88,622
Burlington	35,701	32,490
Camden	57,996	51,977
Cape May	10,385	10,137
Cumberland	10,007	15,002
Essex	87,878	42,816
Gloucester	26,412	31,467
Hudson	53,724	35,925
Hunterdon	10,028	10,578
Mercer ,	46,275	26,538
Middlesex	73,795	60,128
Monmouth	73,844	52,125
Morris	66,204	42,838
Ocean	46,057	47,225
Passaic	42,909	31,143
Salem	6,669	10,095
'Somerset	32,82	21.984
Sussex	13,246	14,742
Union	72,163	44,586
Warren	9,094	10,873
Total	929,033	697,424

## PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 6

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT: REVISION OF PROVISIONS ON GOVERNOR'S VETO

Shall the amendment of Article V, Section I, paragraph 14, of the Constitution, agreed to by the Legislature, and (1) requiring that all bills passed by the Legislature be presented to the Governor on the same or next day; (2) extending the time allowed for the consideration of such bills to 45 days, with certain exceptions; and (3) providing for special legislative sessions at the close of each legislative term, so as to ensure that all bills to which the Governor objects, except for bills passed within the last 10 days of the second legislative year, shall be subject to reconsideration by the Legislature, be approved?

## Interpretive Statement

Pursuant to the State Constitution, every bill passed by the legislature shall be presented to the Governor. If the Governor signs a bill, it becomes law. If the Governor does not sign the bill within 10 days after it is presented to him, the bill automatically becomes law. If the legislature's term has expired at the time the Governor is required to consider a bill presented to him, the bill cannot be returned to the legislature with the Governor's disapproval and if not signed it does not become law. There is an unofficial custom that bills passed by the legislature are not presented to the Governor until the Governor requests them. When the Governor does not request the presentation of a bill until close to the end of a legislative term, the Governor can prevent a bill from becoming law by not acting on it.

Adoption of this proposed amendment would require that bills passed by the legislature be presented to the Governor no later than the day after final legislative approval. The Governor would have 45 days to consider the bill and if he takes no action, the bill would automatically become law. It would also provide for a special legislative session before the expiration of the term of the legislature to reconsider bills objected to by the Governor. The effect of the adoption of this amendment would require the Governor to consider all bills presented to him during a legislative term, with the exception of those passed in the last 10 days of the term, or they would automatically become law.

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	33,276	12,650
Bergen	155,412	70,692
Burlington	52,584	27,328
Camden	67,620	38,910
Cape May	16,870	7,552
Cumberland	15,152	9,889
Essex	92,826	35,860
Gloucester	34.183	23,712
Hudson	56,936	27,610
Hunterdon	13,402	8,259
Mercer	55,550	19,275
Middlesex	87.062	43.375
Monmouth	85,997	38,940
	74,074	30,833
Morris	68,720	27,812
Ocean	45.936	21,945
Passaic	9.551	7.565
Salem	36.029	19,971
Somerset	18,133	9.999
Sussex	82,489	34,162
Union	12,467	7,556
Warren		
Total	1,114,269	523,895

# PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 5

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

The Use of State Gambling Revenues to Fund Additional or Expanded Health and Transportation Services or Benefits to Eligible Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents.

Do you approve of the amendment of Article IV, Section VII, paragraph 2 of the Constitution of the State of New Jersey, agreed to by the Legislature, which authorizes the expenditure of State revenues derived from the licensing and taxation of gambling in Atlantic City for additional or expanded health and transportation services or benefits to eligible senior citizens and disabled residents?

## interpretive Statement

"Adoption of this amendment would authorize the Legislature to provide for the tax revenues derived by the State from casinos to be used to fund reductions in property taxes, rental, telephone, gas, electric and municipal utilities charges for eligible senior citizens and disabled residents. Adoption of this amendment would also authorize the Legislature to provide for the use of these revenues for additional or expanded health services or benefits or transportation service or benefits for senior citizens and disabled residents."

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	33,593	11,487
Bergen	172,508	77,633
Burlington	57,901	26,644
Camden	80,569	35,398
Cape May	17,067	9,410
Cumberland	15,478	10,723
Essex	95,962	30,671
Gloucester	45,267	16,822
Hudson	66,386	26,593
Hunterdon	13,935	8,691
Mercer	46,730	22,661
Middlesex	100,454	39,537
Monmouth	78,812	39,413
Morris	76,378	35,946
Ocean	65,184	37,486
Passaic	52,044	23,134
Salem	12,775	5,801
Somerset	36.537	17,186
Sussex	21,493	7,914
Union	89,597	32,119
Warren	14,448	6,461
Total	1,105,957	524,496

## **PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 7**

#### RIPARIAN LANDS

Do you approve the amendment to Article VIII of the Constitution adding a new Section V and paragraph 1 thereto, requiring that lands shall have been tidal flowed within the last 40 years to be deemed riparian lands subject to State claims, and barring State claims not defined and asserted by law within that period?

## Interpretive Statement

The primary purpose of this amendment is to relieve owners of land from certain competing claims of ownership by the State. These claims arise from the fact that the State may own any land that ever had the ordinary high tide ("mean" high tide) flow over it, regardless of who the record owner may be or how long he has occupied the land. Sometimes it is difficult to determine that fact and owners may be uncertain for years if the State has a claim to their land.

When the State establishes ownership of tidal flowed land, any proceeds from the sale of the land are deposited in a fund devoted to public education.

This amendment provides that if the State does not, within one year, present all claims on lands that have been "dry" for at least 40 years, those claims are barred. The State may have claims for such land that would succeed under present law but that may be extinguished by virtue of this amendment, if for any reason the State does not assert such claims within one year.

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	34,806	13,570
Bergen	114,373	110,748
Burlington	39,402	41,162
Camden	50,287	54,395
Cape May	18,591	8,233
Cumberland	14,331	11,083
Essex	69,290	54,722
Gloucester	24,875	32,534
Hudson	50,754	34,050
Hunterdon	9,890	11.721
Mercer	33,437	35,208
Middlesex	65.401	62,223
Monmouth	68,028	58,028
Morris	52,529	49.213
Ocean	73,457	28.714
Passaic	32,238	31.093
Salem	7,546	10.113
Somerset	25,264	28,158
	13,240	14.334
Sussex	57,938	56.234
Union	8,768	10.684
Warren	<u> </u>	<u>_</u>
Total	864,445	756,220

## **PUBLIC QUESTION NO. 8**

## DETERMINATION OF PARTICIPANT'S FEE AND VALUE OF PRIZES FOR AMUSEMENT GAMES

Shall chapter 291 of the laws of 1981 compelling the State Amusement Games Control Commissioner to set the participants fee and the value of any prize offered or given in an amusement game, after a public hearing has been held thereon and subject to the provisions of P.L. 1981, c. 27 (C.52:14B-4.1 et seq.), be approved and become operative?

## Interpretive Statement

This question, if approved by the public, would make possible the first change in the "Amusement Games Licensing Law," P.L. 1959, c. 109 (C. 5:8-100 et seq.) since its inception in 1959. Such changes would respond to the public's desire for larger and better prizes as well as any needed changes in fees to correspond with such prizes as well as inflation. Such changes could only be done after a public hearing and legislative review.

County	Yes	No
Atlantic	29,425	16,478
Bergen	139,959	91,242
Burlington	41,787	38,820
Camden	49,125	55,098
Cape May	14,099	10,685
Cumberland	11,989	12,880
Essex	75,541	44,588
Gloucester	28,771	29,754
Hudson	54,133	30,850
Hunterdon	10.064	11,357
Mercer	38,795	29,848
Middlesex	73,480	54.308
Monmouth	77,528	49,417
Morris	57.881	38,796
Осеап	58,510	39,369
Passaic	37,907	29,336
Salem	7.764	9,850
Somerset	26.878	26,017
Sussex	15,479	12,496
Union	68,610	48.036
Warren	10,405	9,454
Total	927,680	668,679