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A REFERENDUM ON PUBLIC ACT 4 OF 2011 - THE EMERGENCY MANAGER LAW

Public Act 4 of 2011 would:

- Establish criteria to assess the financial condition of local government units, including school districts.
- Authorize Governor to appoint an emergency manager (EM) upon state finding of a financial emergency, and allow the EM to act in place of local government officials.
- Require EM to develop financial and operating plans, which may include modification or termination of contracts, reorganization of government, and determination of expenditures, services, and use of assets until the emergency is resolved.
- Alternatively, authorize state-appointed review team to enter into a local government approved consent decree.

Should this law be approved?

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

This proposal would:

- Grant public and private employees the constitutional right to organize and bargain collectively through labor unions.
- Invalidate existing or future state or local laws that limit the ability to join unions and bargain collectively, and to negotiate and enforce collective bargaining agreements, including employees' financial support of their labor unions. Laws may be enacted to prohibit public employees from striking.
- Override state laws that regulate hours and conditions of employment to the extent that those laws conflict with collective bargaining agreements.
- Define "employer" as a person or entity employing one or more employees.

Should this proposal be approved?

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY

This proposal would:

- Require electric utilities to provide at least 25% of their annual retail sales of electricity from renewable energy sources, which are wind, solar, biomass, and hydropower, by 2025.
- Limit to not more than 1% per year electric utility rate increases charged to consumers only to achieve compliance with the renewable energy standard.

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- Allow annual extensions of the deadline to meet the 25% standard in order to prevent rate increases over the 1% limit.
- Require the legislature to enact additional laws to encourage the use of Michigan made equipment and employment of Michigan residents.

Should this proposal be approved?

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION
 TO ESTABLISH THE MICHIGAN QUALITY HOME CARE COUNCIL
 AND PROVIDE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
 FOR IN-HOME CARE WORKERS

This proposal would:

- Allow in-home care workers to bargain collectively with the Michigan Quality Home Care Council (MQHCC). Continue the current exclusive representative of in-home care workers until modified in accordance with labor laws.
- Require MQHCC to provide training for in-home care workers, create a registry of workers who pass background checks, and provide financial services to patients to manage the cost of in-home care.
- Preserve patients' rights to hire in-home care workers who are not referred from the MQHCC registry who are bargaining unit members.
- Authorize the MQHCC to set minimum compensation standards and terms and conditions of employment.

Should this proposal be approved?

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION
 TO LIMIT THE ENACTMENT OF NEW TAXES BY STATE GOVERNMENT

This proposal would:

Require a 2/3 majority vote of the State House and the State Senate, or a statewide vote of the people at a November election, in order for the State of Michigan to impose new or additional taxes on taxpayers or expand the base of taxation or increasing the rate of taxation.

This section shall in no way be construed to limit or modify tax limitations otherwise created in this Constitution.

Should this proposal be approved?

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION
 REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF
 INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES AND TUNNELS

This proposal would:

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- Require the approval of a majority of voters at a statewide election and in each municipality where "new international bridges or tunnels for motor vehicles" are to be located before the State of Michigan may expend state funds or resources for acquiring land, designing, soliciting bids for, constructing, financing, or promoting new international bridges or tunnels.
- Create a definition of "new international bridges or tunnels for motor vehicles" that means, "any bridge or tunnel which is not open to the public and serving traffic as of January 1, 2012."

Should this proposal be approved?

HAZELTON TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

Millage Renewal For Road Improvements

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Hazelton Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan be increased by, and the Township authorized to levy, one and one-half (1.5) mills (One Dollar and One-Half \$1.50) on each One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) of taxable property in Hazelton Township, for each year 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 to provide funds for graveling, upgrading, and rebuilding of roads in Hazelton Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan?

The Township estimates it will collect \$87,658.24 in the first calendar year if this proposal is approved.

RUSH TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

Fire Protection and Ambulance Service Millage Renewal

Shall Rush Township assess and collect 1.50 mills (\$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for a period of 5 years, that being 2013 through 2017, inclusive for the purpose of contracting for fire protection and ambulance service in and for the Township, this being a renewal (with a reduction of .25 mills) of millage previously assessed?

The Township estimates that it will collect \$61,994.00 in the first year if the proposal is approved.

Road Millage

Shall Rush Township assess and collect 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for a period of 5 years, that being 2013 through 2017, inclusive for the construction, maintenance and paving of roads in the Township, this being a renewal of millage previously assessed?

The Township estimates that it will collect \$82,658.00 in the first year if the proposal is approved.

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VERNON TOWNSHIP PROPOSALS

FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Vernon Township, of 1.2 mills, which has been reduced by the required millage rollbacks to 1.198 mills, be renewed at 1.198 mills (\$1.198 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for five (5) additional years, beginning in 2014 and through 2018 inclusive, for the purpose of operating, equipping and purchasing fire protection services, raising an estimated \$136,040.03 in 2014?

VILLAGE OF MORRICE PROPOSALS

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Shall the Village of Morrice continue to levy a total of .7 mills (\$.70 per \$1,000.00) on taxable value of property located in the Village of Morrice, in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution, and levy it for four years beginning with the 2013 tax levy year and running through the 2016 tax year (inclusive), which will raise in the first year of such levy an estimated revenue of \$9,602.40 to be used for the specific purpose of providing Emergency (Ambulance) Services.

As required by law, a portion of the millage may also be disbursed to the Downtown Development Authority of the Village of Morrice.

If approved this would be a renewal of a previously authorized millage.

BYRON AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The statutory rate of 18 mills has been levied on "non-homestead" property in the school district since the enactment of Proposal A in 1994.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Byron Area Schools, Shiawassee, Livingston and Genesee Counties, Michigan, be increased by 18 mills (\$18.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 7 years, 2012 to 2018, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately \$470,000?

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CORUNNA PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance. The remaining .9886 mill is only available to be levied to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will only be levied to the extent necessary to restore that reduction.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 18.9886 mills (\$18.9886 on each \$ 1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Corunna Public Schools, Shiawassee County, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 15 years, 2014 to 2028, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2014 is approximately \$1,382,188 (this is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2013 tax levy)?

DURAND AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

Operating Millage Proposal

This proposal will enable the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Durand Area Schools, be increased by 2 mills (\$2.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 3 years, 2012, 2013 and 2014 to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately \$90,853 (this millage is to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore that reduction)?

NEW LOTHROP AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

New Lothrop Area Public Schools

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews millage that will expire with the 2012 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 20.7108 mills (\$20.7108 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in New Lothrop Area Public Schools, Shiawassee, Saginaw and Genesee Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 10 years, 2013 to 2022, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2013 is approximately \$165,816?

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OVID-ELSIE AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Ovid-Elsie Area Schools, Clinton, Shiawassee, Saginaw and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, be increased by 0.5306 mill (\$0.5306 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 2 years, 2012 and 2013, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately \$18,633 (this millage is to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?

MILLAGE PROPOSAL, BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Ovid-Elsie Area Schools, Clinton, Shiawassee, Saginaw and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 1 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2012 to 2016, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately \$251,400?

OWOSSO PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

OPERATING MILLAGE PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Owosso Public Schools, Shiawassee County, Michigan, be increased by 18.2259 mills (\$18.2259 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 20 years, 2014 to 2033, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes (17.7259 mills of the above is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2013 tax levy and .5 mill is an increase of millage which will be levied only to the extent necessary to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963); the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2014 is approximately \$2,805,972?

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PERRY PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROPOSALS

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Operating Millage Proposal

This proposal will restore a portion of the millage lost due to the Headlee rollback and the proposed millage will be levied on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its per pupil foundation allowance revenue.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Perry Public Schools, Shiawassee and Ingham Counties, Michigan, be increased by 1.2229 mills (\$1.2229 on each \$1000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 2 years, 2012 and 2013, inclusive to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2012 is approximately \$57,400 (this millage is to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?
