

**UNION COUNTY, OHIO  
2009 GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 3, 2009**

**OFFICIAL TOWNSHIP  
NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**JEROME TOWNSHIP  
For Township Trustees  
(Vote For Not More Than 2)**

**BOB MERKLE**

**ANDY THOMAS**

**OFFICIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NONPARTISAN BALLOT**

**DUBLIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
For Member of Board of Education  
(Vote For Not More Than 3)**

**LYNN B. MAY**

**AARON MOORE**

**GWEN CALLENDER**

**STU HARRIS**



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**OFFICIAL QUESTIONS AND  
ISSUES BALLOT**

**State Issue 1**

If adopted, this amendment shall take effect immediately.

A "YES" vote means approval of the amendment.  
A "NO" vote means disapproval of the amendment.

A majority YES vote is required for the amendment to be adopted.

**SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?**

**YES**

**NO**

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**PROPOSED  
CONSTITUTIONAL  
AMENDMENT**

**TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TO ISSUE BONDS TO  
PROVIDE COMPENSATION TO VETERANS OF THE  
PERSIAN GULF, AFGHANISTAN, AND IRAQ CONFLICTS**

**Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly**

**To adopt Section 2r of Article VIII of the Constitution of  
the State of Ohio**

This proposed amendment would:

1. Authorize the state to issue up to two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) of bonds to provide compensation to veterans of the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts, and to pay for the administration of the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq Conflicts Compensation Bond Retirement Fund and the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq Conflicts Compensation Fund.

2. Authorize the Ohio Department of Veterans Services to provide compensation to persons who have served in active duty in the United States armed forces at any time during the Persian Gulf, Afghanistan, and Iraq conflicts and who were Ohio residents at the start of active duty services and are currently Ohio residents.

3. Allow certain survivors to receive the same compensation as the person who served in the armed forces would have received, if that person dies or is designated as missing in action or held in enemy captivity.

4. Authorize the state to issue bonds only for the time period from the effective date of this amendment until December 31, 2013.

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**State Issue 2**

A majority YES vote is required for the amendment to be adopted.

**SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?**

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**PROPOSED  
CONSTITUTIONAL  
AMENDMENT**

**TO CREATE THE OHIO LIVESTOCK CARE STANDARDS  
BOARD TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT STANDARDS  
OF CARE FOR LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY**

**Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly**

**To adopt Section 1 of Article XIV of the Constitution of  
the State of Ohio**

**YES**

**NO**

This proposed amendment would:

1. Require the state to create the Livestock Care Standards Board to prescribe standards for animal care and well-being that endeavor to maintain food safety, encourage locally grown and raised food, and protect Ohio farms and families.

2. Authorize this bipartisan board of thirteen members to consider factors that include, but are not limited to, agricultural best management practices for such care and well-being, biosecurity, disease prevention, animal morbidity and mortality data, food safety practices, and the protection of local, affordable food supplies for consumers when establishing and implementing standards.

3. Provide that the board shall be comprised of thirteen Ohio residents including representatives of Ohio family farms, farming organizations, food safety experts, veterinarians, consumers, the dean of the agriculture department at an Ohio college or university and a county humane society representative.

4. Authorize the Ohio department that regulates agriculture to administer and enforce the standards established by the board, subject to the authority of the General Assembly.

If adopted, this amendment shall take effect immediately.

A "YES" vote means approval of the amendment.  
A "NO" vote means disapproval of the amendment.

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**State Issue 3**

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**PROPOSED  
CONSTITUTIONAL  
AMENDMENT**

**TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW FOR ONE  
CASINO EACH IN  
CINCINNATI, CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, AND TOLEDO  
AND DISTRIBUTE TO ALL OHIO COUNTIES A TAX ON THE  
CASINOS**

**Proposed by Initiative Petition**

**To adopt Section 6 to Article XV of the Constitution of  
the State of Ohio**

This proposed amendment would:

1. Authorize only one casino facility at a specifically designated location within each of the cities of Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Toledo.
2. Levy a fixed tax of 33% of gross casino revenue received by each casino operator of the four casino facilities.
3. Distribute the casino tax as follows:
  - 51% among all 88 counties in proportion to such counties' respective populations. Half of each county's distribution will go to its largest city if that city's population is above 80,000.
  - 34% among all public school districts
  - 5% among all host cities
  - 3% to the Ohio casino control commission
  - 3% to the Ohio state racing commission fund
  - 2% to a state law enforcement training fund
  - 2% to a state problem gambling and addictions fund
4. Require each initial licensed casino operator to pay a single \$50,000,000 fee to be used for state job training purposes and make a minimum initial investment of \$250,000,000 in its facility.
5. Permit approved types of casino gaming authorized by Michigan, West Virginia, Indiana, and Pennsylvania as of January 1, 2009 or games subsequently authorized by those

states.

6. Authorize the casinos to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at the discretion of the casino operator and require that the casino facilities shall be subject to all state and local laws and provisions related to health and building codes, but that no local zoning, land use laws, subdivision regulations or similar provisions shall prohibit the development or operation of the casinos at the designated sites.

7. Create the Ohio casino control commission which will license and regulate casino operators, management companies retained by such casino operators, key employees, gaming-related vendors, and all gaming authorized by this constitutional provision.

A "YES" vote means you approve of amending the Ohio Constitution to permit one casino each in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Toledo.

A "NO" vote means you disapprove of amending the Ohio Constitution to permit one casino each in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Toledo.

A majority YES vote is required for the amendment to be adopted.

**SHALL THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?**

**YES**

**NO**

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**Union County A**

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY  
(RENEWAL)  
UNION COUNTY**

**Union County B**

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY  
(ADDITIONAL)  
UNION COUNTY**

**UNION COUNTY BOARD OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WHICH WILL BE KNOWN AS UNION COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2009**

**A Majority Affirmative Vote Is Necessary For Passage.**

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Union County for the purpose of THE OPERATION OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES) AND FOR THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, FINANCING, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FACILITIES, at a rate not exceeding 2.4 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$0.24 for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for six years, commencing in 2010, first due in calendar year 2011.

**FOR THE TAX LEVY**

**AGAINST THE TAX LEVY**

**A Majority Affirmative Vote Is Necessary For Passage.**

An additional tax for the benefit of Union County for the purpose of providing for THE OPERATION OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION PROGRAMS AND MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AND THE OPERATION OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION FACILITIES AND MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES at a rate not exceeding 0.5 mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$0.05, for each one hundred dollars of valuation for 5 years, commencing in 2009, first due in calendar year 2010.

**FOR THE TAX LEVY**

**AGAINST THE TAX LEVY**



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**Review Ballot**

