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District	Issue	Required to Pass
State of Washington	Initiative Measure No. 920; Proposed by Initiative Petition. This measure would repeal Washington's state laws imposing tax, currently dedicated for the education legacy trust fund, on transfers of estates of persons dying on or after the effective date of this measure.	Simple Majority
State of Washington	Initiative Measure No. 933; Proposed by Initiative Petition. This measure would require compensation when government regulation damages the use or value of private property, would forbid regulations that prohibit existing legal uses of private property, and would provide exceptions or payments.	Simple Majority
State of Washington	Initiative Measure No. 937; Proposed by Initiative Petition. This measure would require certain electric utilities with 25,000 or more customers to meet certain targets for energy conservation and use of renewable energy resources, as defined, including energy credits, or pay penalties.	Simple Majority
State of Washington	House Joint Resolution 4223; Proposed to the People by the Legislature. This amendment would authorize the legislature to increase the personal property tax exemption for taxable personal property owned by each "head of a family" from three thousand (\$3,000) to fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars.	Simple Majority
Pierce County	<b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1-Election of Sheriff.</b> The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Pierce County Charter establishing an elected Pierce County Sheriff beginning in 2008, and providing for transition from the current appointed sheriff to a sheriff elected by the voters.	Simple Majority

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Pierce County	<p><b>Pierce County Charter Amendment No. 2-Performance Audits.</b>                  The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter concerning the County's performance audit requirements. This amendment would require ongoing performance audits in accordance with Government Auditing Standards, annual reports by the Council on the highlights, free copies of the reports available to the public, and evening public hearings regarding the audits.</p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County	<p><b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 3-Instant Run-Off Voting.</b>                  The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter implementing instant run-off voting for County elected officials except judges and the Prosecuting Attorney. Voters will rank candidates in order of preference at the General Election. No primary election will be held. Candidates for partisan office must obtain 25 voter signatures to qualify for the ballot. Major political parties may determine which candidate may use the party label.</p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County	<p><b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 4-Initiatives.</b> The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter reducing the number of signatures required to validate an initiative. Currently, to validate an initiative, a petitioner must collect valid signatures equal in number to not less than 10% of the number of votes cast in the County in the last Executive election. This proposed amendment would decrease the number of signatures required to validate to 8% of the votes cast.</p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County	<p><b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 5-Referendums.</b> The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter reducing the number of signatures required to qualify a referendum for the ballot. Currently, a referendum must collect valid signatures equal in number to not less than 8% of the number of votes cast in the County in the last Executive election. The proposed amendment would decrease the number of signatures to 4% of the votes cast.</p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County	<p><b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 6-Presentation of Annual Budget.</b> The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter concerning presentation of the annual budget and plans to the Council. This amendment would require the Executive to present the annual budget, comprehensive planning message, and six-year plan to the Council 25 days earlier, at least 100 days prior to the end of the fiscal year.</p>	Simple Majority

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Pierce County	<p><b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 8-Balance of Power.</b> The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter reducing the power of the Executive over elected executive departments. This amendment would give all elected officials administrative power over their departments regarding staff supervision, staff assignments and normal daily operations.</p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County	<p><b>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 9-Eminent Domain.</b> The Pierce County Charter Review Commission has proposed an amendment to the Charter concerning the taking of private property by the County for public use. This amendment would limit takings to those which are necessary to accomplish stated public uses and define and restrict taking of private property for private economic development.</p>	Simple Majority
City of Auburn* (253) 931-3000	<p><b>Creation of a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority.</b> The Regional Fire Protection Service Authority Planning Committee has submitted to the Cities of Auburn, Algona and Pacific a plan to create a regional authority for fire protection and emergency services, funded with fire benefit charges (not more than 60% of operating budget) and property taxes (not more than \$1.50/\$1,000 assessed value). The maximum City property tax rate would be reduced by the tax rate collected by the authority. Fire benefit charges would be authorized for 2008 - 2013, during which time the Authority's maximum property tax would be reduced to \$1.00/\$1,000.</p>	60% Favorable Majority
City of Milton** (253) 922-8733	<p><b>Temporary Levy for Emergency Medical Care &amp; Services.</b> This proposition concerns the funding of emergency medical care and emergency medical services, and if approved would allow the City to temporarily levy additional regular property taxes at a rate of up to \$.50/\$1,000 assessed valuation, for collection in 2007 to 2012.</p>	394 YES votes, + a 60% favorable majority

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City of Tacoma (253) 591-5171	<p><b>Residential Street Maintenance Levy.</b> This proposition concerns a temporary property tax levy to fund residential street maintenance and if approved, would allow the City to increase the regular property tax levy by \$0.48/\$1,000 assessed value for six years, beginning in 2007 and through 2013, to increase funding by approximately \$8,000,000 annually. <b>(Lid Lift)</b></p>	Simple Majority
City of University Place (253) 566- 5656	<p><b>Levy Lid Lift for Construction and Maintenance of Capital Improvements.</b> This proposition, if approved, would provide funds for constructing and maintaining capital improvements, such as sidewalks, streetlights, and the purchase, conservation and development of new parks and trails and would authorize a maximum City regular property tax levy of \$1.60/\$1,000 assessed value for collection in 2007 (about 24.3 cents above the 2006 rate). The 2007 levy would be used to compute the levy lid on future levies. <b>(Lid Lift)</b></p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 13 (Browns/Dash Point Fire Dept.) (253) 952-4776	<p>Resolution No. 06-241 concerns a proposal to re-authorize the previously existing regular property tax levy rate. If approved, the District would be authorized to levy for collection beginning in 2007 the regular property tax at the rate of \$1.00/\$1,000 of assessed valuation. <b>(Lid Lift)</b></p>	Simple Majority
Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18 (360) 893- 7857	<p>Resolution No. 2006-008 concerns a proposal to re-authorize the previously existing property tax levy rate. If approved, the District would be authorized to levy the regular property tax at the rate of \$1.50/\$1,000 of assessed valuation, for collection in 2007. <b>(Lid Lift)</b></p>	Simple Majority

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