

November 6, 2012 Election Summary

District	What does the proposition do?	Required to pass
State of Washington	<p>Initiative Measure No. 1185 Tax and fee increases imposed by state government This measure would restate existing statutory requirements that legislative actions raising taxes must be approved by two-thirds legislative majorities or receive voter approval, and that new or increased fees require majority legislative approval.</p>	Simple Majority
State of Washington	<p>Initiative Measure No. 1240 Creation of a public charter school system This measure would authorize up to forty publicly-funded charter schools open to all students; operated through approved, nonreligious, nonprofit organizations, with government oversight; and modify certain laws applicable to them as public schools.</p>	Simple Majority
State of Washington	<p>Referendum Measure 74 Engrossed Substitutue Senate Bill 6239 Marriage for same-sex couples, modified domestic-partnership law, and religious freedom This bill would allow same-sex couples to marry, preserve domestic partnerships only for seniors, and preserve the right of clergy or religious organizations to refuse to perform, recognize, or accommodate any marriage ceremony.</p>	Simple Majority
State of Washington	<p>Initiative to the Legislature 502 Concerns Marijuana This measure would license and regulate marijuana production, distribution, and possession for persons over twenty-one; remove state-law criminal and civil penalties for activities that it authorizes; tax marijuana sales; and earmark marijuana-related revenues.</p>	Simple Majority
State of Washington	<p>Engrossed Senate Joint Resolution 8221 Constitutional Amendment on implementing the Commission on State Debt recommendations regarding Washington's debt limit The amendment would, start July 1, 2014, phase-down the debt limit percentage in three steps from nine to eight percent and modify the calculation date, calculation period, and the term general state revenues.</p>	Simple Majority

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<p style="text-align: center;">State of Washington</p>	<p>Senate Joint Resolution 8223 Constitutional Amendment on investments by the University of Washington and Washington State University This amendment would create an exception to constitutional restrictions on investing public funds by allowing these universities to invest public funds as authorized by the legislature, including in private companies or stock.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Simple Majority</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Pierce County</p>	<p>Proposed Charter Amendment No. 40 Requiring a Two-Thirds Vote of the Council to Levy or Increase a New Councilmanic Tax The Pierce County Council passed Ordinance No. 2012-15s proposing to amend the Pierce County Charter. If approved, would amend the Charter to require that, after January 1, 2013, any "new Councilmanic tax", may be levied or increased only by a minimum two-thirds vote of the Council.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Simple Majority</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Pierce Transit</p>	<p>Sales and Use Tax Increase Adopted Resolution No. 12-021 concerning a proposition to increase the sales and use tax. If approved, this proposition would authorize Pierce Transit to impose an additional three-tenths of one percent, to fund restoration and provision of services including, without limitation; Special event and commuter service, services for people with disabilities and capital improvements.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Simple Majority</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">City of DuPont</p>	<p>Levy for Public Safety Buildings and City Hall and Public Safety Services Proposition No. 1 Adopted Resolution No. 12-419 proposing to temporarily increase the City's regular property tax levy by up to \$0.975/\$1,000 to a rate not to exceed \$2.14/\$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2013, and increase the levy as permitted in RCW 84.55 each year thereafter through and including 2019, to pay the City's lease obligations (including debt service) for the Public Safety Buildings and City Hall and costs of public safety services, including firefighter personnel and equipment. Levy Lid Lift</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Simple Majority</p>

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<p style="text-align: center;">Town of Eatonville</p>	<p>Finance Maintenance and Operation Expenses Proposition No. 1 Passed Ordinance 2012-9, concerning a proposition to finance maintenance and operation expenses. If approved, Proposition No. 1 would authorize the Town to levy the following excess tax on all taxable property within the Town, which would be used to cover the Town's general expenses, consistent with the adopted budget. One year levy. \$1.00/\$1,000 of assessed value. Total levy amount \$161,048.11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">186 YES votes plus a 60% favorable majority</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Auburn School District No. 408</p>	<p>General Obligation Bonds-\$110,000,000 This proposition authorizes the District to reconstruct Auburn High School, including modernizing its Performing Arts Center and Automotive Technology building and modernizing and improving the site, to issue \$110,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 20 years, and levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7,393 TOTAL votes plus a 60% favorable majority</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 16 (Key Peninsula Fire)</p>	<p>Property Tax Levy for Maintenance and Operation Expenses - Proposition No. 1 Adopted Resolution No. 06-12-566 concerning a proposition to finance maintenance and operation expenses. If passed, Proposition No. 1 would allow the District to levy the following excess taxes, on all taxable property within the District, to be used for maintenance and operation and to increase the current level of fire and emergency medical services. \$800,000 per year for collection in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1,343 YES votes plus a 60% favorable majority</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 23 (Towns of Ashford, Elbe & Alder)</p>	<p>Authorizing New Regular Property Tax Levy Rate Adopted Resolution No. 12-003 proposing to authorize a new regular property tax levy rate. If passed, Proposition No. 1 would permit the District to levy for collection in 2013 the regular property tax at the rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, thereby lifting the revenue limitation in Chapter 84.55 RCW. Levy Lid Lift</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Simple Majority</p>

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<p>What is an Advisory Vote? Advisory Votes are non-binding: the results do not change the law. You are advising the Legislature whether, in your opinion, this tax increase should be repealed or maintained.</p>		
State of Washington	<p>Advisory Vote 1 (Engrossed Senate Bill 6635) The legislature eliminated, without a vote of the people, a business and occupation tax deduction for certain financial institutions' interest on residential loans, costing \$170,000,000 in its first ten years, for government spending.</p>	
State of Washington	<p>Advisory Vote 2 (Substitue House Bill 2590) The legislature extended, without a vote of the people, expiration of a tax on possession of petroleum products and reduced the tax rate, costing \$24,000,000 in its first ten years, for government spending.</p>	