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## ELECTION RESULTS

The October 2004 issue of *TAX TOPICS* detailed the statewide and local ballot questions which appeared on the November ballot. Included in this issue of *TAX TOPICS* are the election results for the ballot questions. Legislative committee assignments in the Senate and Assembly for the 2005 Legislative Session are on Page 4.

### STATEWIDE BALLOT QUESTIONS

		YES	%	NO	%
Registered Voters:	#1. Funding education first	446,965	<b>56.6</b>	342,171	43.3
1,072,131	#2. Fund education to national average	381,045	48.5	404,173	<b>51.4</b>
Votes Cast:	#3. Medical malpractice reform	468,059	<b>59.3</b>	320,129	40.6
831,828	#4. Insurance premium rate rollback	274,752	34.7	516,216	<b>65.2</b>
77.59%	#5. Frivolous lawsuits	294,415	37.2	497,406	<b>62.8</b>
	#6. Minimum wage	545,490	<b>68.4</b>	252,162	31.6
	#7. Constitutional definition of "insane"	418,857	<b>54.2</b>	351,982	45.6
	#8. State sales tax exemptions	285,501	37.8	469,268	<b>62.1</b>

Notes Due to under-voting and/or rounding, the percentage totals in some cases do not equal 100%.  
Totals may change after certification.

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# LOCAL BALLOT QUESTION RESULTS

Please note: The “NACO Advisory Question” was an advisory question to prohibit unfunded mandates from the State and prohibit the State from reducing, diverting or eliminating revenue received by the local governments.

COUNTY		LOCAL BALLOT QUESTIONS	YES	%	NO	%
<b>CARSON CITY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	26,367	#CC1- Sales tax for storm water system	9,438	42.9	12,580	<b>57.1</b>
Votes Cast: 87.92%	23,183	#CC2 - NACO advisory question	12,796	<b>59.7</b>	8,631	40.3
<b>CHURCHILL COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	13,288	#1 - NACO advisory question	6,775	<b>67.8</b>	2,984	29.9
Votes Cast: 77.21%	10,260	#2 - Property tax for senior center	6,103	<b>60.3</b>	3,896	38.5
		#3 - Ban legal brothels	3,679	36.3	6,358	<b>62.8</b>
<b>CLARK COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	684,313	#9 - Public safety advisory question	268,726	<b>51.6</b>	252,262	48.4
Votes Cast: 79.91%	546,858	#10 - NACO advisory question	297,994	<b>61.7</b>	185,256	38.3
		#12 - Local control of tobacco use	172,773	<b>57.3</b>	128,950	42.7
		#13 - Prohibiting tobacco in public places	202,050	<b>66.8</b>	100,314	33.2
		#14 - Public electric utility replacing private electric utility	172,012	<b>57.4</b>	127,562	42.6
		<u>Boulder City</u>				
		#1 - Land sales advisory question	3,944	47.3	4,395	<b>52.7</b>
		<u>Town of Searchlight</u>				
		E-911 Advisory question	217	<b>51.8</b>	197	48.2
		<u>Town of Bunkerville</u>				
		E-911 Advisory question	214	<b>68.2</b>	100	31.8
<b>DOUGLAS COUNTY</b>						
Registered Voters:	26,032	There were no local ballot questions.				
Votes Cast: 92.04%	23,959					
<b>ELKO COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	20,885	#1 - NACO advisory question	8,613	<b>60.9</b>	5,542	39.1
Votes Cast: 73.55%	15,339	#2 - Library property tax override	4,763	32.6	9,839	<b>67.4</b>
		#3 - Fuel tax increase advisory question	1,901	12.9	12,876	<b>87.1</b>
		#4 - Sales tax for public roads	5,457	36.9	9,352	<b>63.1</b>
<b>ESMERALDA COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	736	#1 - NACO advisory question	321	<b>70.6</b>	134	29.4
Votes Cast: 65.90%	485					
<b>EUREKA COUNTY</b>						
Registered Voters:	834	#1 - NACO advisory question	470	<b>67.5</b>	226	32.5
Votes Cast: 88.61%	739	#2 - Property tax for school bond	394	<b>53.7</b>	330	45.0
<b>HUMBOLDT COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	6,022	#9 - NACO advisory question	3,127	<b>62.4</b>	1,885	37.6
Votes Cast: 89.31%	5,378	#10 - Property tax for senior center	3,060	<b>58.4</b>	2,177	41.6
<b>LANDER COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	2,457	#1 - NACO advisory question	1,116	<b>57.1</b>	840	42.9
Votes Cast: 83.64%	2,055	#2 - Combine Clerk/Recorder offices	906	45.3	1,093	<b>54.7</b>
		#3 - Increase Commissioners to five	816	40.6	1,194	<b>59.4</b>

COUNTY		LOCAL BALLOT QUESTIONS	YES	%	NO	%
<b>LINCOLN COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	2,858	#1 - NACO advisory question	1,391	<b>71.4</b>	556	28.6
Votes Cast: 71.94%	2,056					
<b>LYON COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	22,859	#9 - NACO advisory question	10,292	<b>64.0</b>	5,789	36.0
Votes Cast: 75.25%	17,202	#10 - New Construction tax - advisory	8,730	<b>53.2</b>	7,687	46.8
		#11 - School bond rollover	8,939	<b>54.5</b>	7,477	45.5
		<u>Mound House and Dayton</u>				
		#12 - Become unincorporated town	2,031	42.0	2,809	<b>58.0</b>
		<u>Fernley Swimming Pool District</u>				
		#13 - Dissolve district - advisory	2,336	49.2	2,416	<b>50.8</b>
		<u>North Lyon County Fire District</u>				
		#14 - Dissolve fire district - advisory	1,984	41.8	2,759	<b>58.2</b>
		<u>City of Fernley</u>				
		#15 - Property tax for swimming pool	1,825	39.0	2,856	<b>61.0</b>
		#16 - Property tax for fire district	2,279	48.7	2,400	<b>51.3</b>
<b>MINERAL COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	3,138	#1 - NACO advisory question	1,209	<b>55.5</b>	969	44.5
Votes Cast: 74.41%	2,335					
<b>NYE COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	20,693	#1 - NACO advisory question	8,375	<b>62.0</b>	5,135	38.0
Votes Cast: 70.34%	14,555	<u>Town of Pahrump</u>				
		#2 - Library property tax override	2,943	25.9	8,411	<b>74.1</b>
		#3 - Zoning ordinance	5,939	<b>52.5</b>	5,382	47.5
		#4 - RTC and developer tax	3,963	35.0	7,366	<b>65.0</b>
<b>PERSHING COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	2,551	#9 - NACO advisory question	1,066	<b>57.4</b>	730	39.3
Votes Cast: 75.42%	1,924	#10 - Increase commissioners to five	757	40.0	1,102	<b>58.3</b>
<b>STOREY COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	2,561	#1 - NACO advisory question	1,483	<b>72.3</b>	569	27.7
Votes Cast: 85.01%	2,177					
<b>WASHOE COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	233,811	#WC1 - Vector borne diseases program	80,950	<b>55.2</b>	65,797	44.8
Votes Cast: 68.22%	159,511	#WC2 - Sales tax for natural resources	71,913	48.2	77,159	<b>51.8</b>
		#WC3 - NACO advisory question	88,452	<b>61.6</b>	55,082	38.4
		<u>City of Reno</u>				
		#R1 - Continue property tax for streets	42,904	<b>60.0</b>	28,554	40.0
<b>WHITE PINE COUNTY</b>		<u>County Wide</u>				
Registered Voters:	4,708	#1 - NACO advisory question	2,297	<b>65.9</b>	1,191	34.1
Votes Cast: 81.07%	3,817					

Note: The NACO advisory question appeared on all county ballots, except Douglas County, as a local question.

# 2005 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The first legislator listed is the committee chairperson; the second legislator listed is the committee vice chairperson.

## SENATE COMMITTEES

### COMMERCE & LABOR

Townsend, Hardy, Tiffany, Heck, Schneider, Carlton, Lee

### FINANCE

Raggio, Beers, Rhoads, Cegavske, Coffin, Titus, Mathews

### GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Hardy, Tiffany, Raggio, Townsend, Titus, Care, Lee

### HUMAN RESOURCES & EDUCATION

Washington, Cegavske, Nolan, Heck, Mathews, Horsford

### JUDICIARY

Amodei, Washington, McGinness, Nolan, Wiener, Care, Horsford

### LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS & ELECTIONS

Cegavske, Raggio, Hardy, Beers, Titus, Mathews, Wiener

### NATURAL RESOURCES

Rhoads, McGinness, Amodei, Beers, Coffin, Schneider, Carlton

### TAXATION

McGinness, Tiffany, Townsend, Rhoads, Coffin, Care, Lee

### TRANSPORTATION & HOMELAND SECURITY

Nolan, Heck, Washington, Amodei, Schneider, Carlton, Horsford

## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

### COMMERCE & LABOR

Buckley, Oceguela, Anderson, Arberry, Conklin, Giunchigliani, McClain, Parks, Perkins, Allen, Gansert, Hettrick, Seale, Sherer

### EDUCATION

Parnell, Smith, Atkinson, Horne, McCleary, Manendo, Munford, Angle, Hardy, Holcomb, Mabey

### ELECTIONS, PROCEDURES & ETHICS/CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Koivisto, Mortenson, Denis, Giunchigliani, McCleary, McClain, Munford, Angle, Gansert, Holcomb, Seale, Sibley

### GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Parks, Pierce, Atkinson, Claborn, Kirkpatrick, McCleary, Munford, Parnell, Christensen, Goicoechea, Grady, Hardy, Sibley

### GROWTH & INFRASTRUCTURE

Perkins, Giunchigliani, Anderson, Kirkpatrick, Leslie, Mortenson, Parks, Pierce, Allen, Grady, Hettrick, Sibley, Weber

### HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Leslie, McClain, Gerhardt, Horne, Koivisto, Parnell, Pierce, Angle, Hardy, Mabey, Weber

### JUDICIARY

Anderson, Horne, Buckley, Conklin, Gerhardt, Manendo, Mortenson, Oceguela, Ohrenschall, Allen, Angle, Carpenter, Holcomb, Mabey

### NATURAL RESOURCES

Claborn, Atkinson, Denis, Hogan, Kirkpatrick, Ohrenschall, Smith, Carpenter, Goicoechea, Grady, Marvel

### TRANSPORTATION

Oceguela, Ohrenschall, Atkinson, Claborn, Gerhardt, Hogan, Manendo, Carpenter, Christensen, Goicoechea, Sherer

### WAYS AND MEANS

Arberry, Giunchigliani, Denis, Hogan, Koivisto, Leslie, McClain, Perkins, Smith, Gansert, Hettrick, Marvel, Seale, Weber

**Note:** The Assembly Taxation Committee has been eliminated. Tax bills are expected to be referred to the newly formed Growth and Infrastructure Committee and the Commerce Committee.

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and a  
New Year of Peace  
and  
Happiness**

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