

"IF A BALLOT CONTAINS A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT OR OTHER QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE, IT IS VOTED ON BY MARKING AN "X" IN THE SQUARE BEFORE THE AMENDMENT OR QUESTION."

OFFICIAL BALLOT

REFERENDUM NO. 75

AN ACT REFERRED BY THE LEGISLATURE

Secretary of State's Explanatory Statement

Referendum No. 75 was introduced as Senate Bill No. 130 in the regular session of the 45th Legislature of the State of Montana. SB 130 passed the Senate by a vote of 44 for and 0 against with 2 members excused and 4 absent. The House of Representatives vote was 70 to 23 in favor of the bill with 2 members excused and 5 absent.

Attorney General's Explanatory Statement

This referendum will authorize the Montana Legislature to continue to levy a yearly tax of up to 6 mills on all taxable property for the support of the Montana university system and other public educational institutions supervised by the board of regents. Authority to levy this tax is limited to the next 10 years beginning with 1979. Similar provisions giving the legislature 10 year authority to levy a yearly tax of up to 6 mills for the support of the university system and public educational institutions were approved by the voters in 1948, 1958 and 1968.

AN ACT TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING OF PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS SUBJECT TO BOARD OF REGENTS' SUPERVISION BY A LEVY OF NOT TO EXCEED 6 MILLS ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY EACH YEAR FOR 10 YEARS AND PROVIDING THAT THE PROPOSED ACT BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS OF THE STATE OF MONTANA.

FOR the 6-mill levy for the support of public educational institutions subject to board of regents' supervision.

AGAINST the 6-mill levy for the support of public educational institutions subject to board of regents' supervision.