

Note to Voters: The following Sample Ballot contains all candidates and measures certified to appear in the State General Election to be held on November 4, 2008. You will not be entitled to vote on all races and issues that appear on this Sample Ballot. When you receive your ballot only the contests and measures that apply to your precinct will be listed.

COWLITZ COUNTY - SAMPLE BALLOT GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 4, 2008

NEW INSTRUCTIONS

How to Mark Your Ballot

To vote, completely fill in the oval next to the candidate of your choice.

- Use black ink or # 2 pencil.
- In each race, vote for one candidate.
- More than one vote for an office or ballot measure will be an overvote, and no votes for that office or ballot measure will be counted.

How to Correct Your Ballot

- Do not erase.
- If you make a mistake, draw a line through the entire candidate's name. You then have the option of making another choice.

Signatures, comments or identifying marks on the ballot may invalidate your ballot.

Write-In Votes

To vote for a person not on the ballot, write the name of the candidate on the line provided for that office, then completely fill in the oval next to the line.

STATE

Proposed by Initiative Petition

INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 985

Initiative Measure No. 985 concerns transportation. This measure would open high-occupancy vehicle lanes to all traffic during specified hours, require traffic light synchronization, increase roadside assistance funding, and dedicate certain taxes, fines, tolls and other revenues to traffic-flow purposes.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

- YES
 NO

Proposed by Initiative Petition

INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 1000

Initiative Measure No. 1000 concerns allowing certain terminally ill competent adults to obtain lethal prescriptions. This measure would permit terminally ill, competent, adult Washington residents, who are medically predicted to have six months or less to live, to request and self-administer lethal medication prescribed by a physician.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

- YES
 NO

STATE

Proposed by Initiative Petition

INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 1029

Initiative Measure No. 1029 concerns long-term care services for the elderly and persons with disabilities. This measure would require long-term care workers to be certified as home care aides based on an examination, with exceptions; increase training and criminal background check requirements; and establish disciplinary standards and procedures.

- YES
 NO

FEDERAL Partisan Offices

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT

OF THE UNITED STATES

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for One)

Barack Obama/Joe Biden
Democratic Party Nominees

John McCain/Sarah Palin
Republican Party Nominees

Ralph Nader/Matt Gonzalez
Independent Candidates

Gloria La Riva/Eugene Puryear
Socialism & Liberation Party Nominees

James E. Harris/Alyson Kennedy
Socialist Workers Party Nominees

Bob Barr/Wayne A. Root
Libertarian Party Nominees

Chuck Baldwin/Darrell L. Castle
Constitution Party Nominees

Cynthia McKinney/Rosa Clemente
Green Party Nominees

READ: Each candidate for President and Vice President is the official nominee of a political party. For other partisan offices, each candidate may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

STATE Partisan Offices

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE 3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

TWO Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Brian Baird
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Michael Delavar
(Prefers Republican Party)

GOVERNOR

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Christine Gregoire
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Dino Rossi
(Prefers G.O.P. Party)

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Brad Owen
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Marcia McCraw
(Prefers Republican Party)

SECRETARY OF STATE

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Sam Reed
(Prefers Republican Party)

Jason Osgood
(Prefers Democratic Party)

STATE TREASURER

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Allan Martin
(Prefers Republican Party)

Jim McIntire
(Prefers Democratic Party)

STATE Partisan Offices

STATE AUDITOR

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Brian Sonntag
(Prefers Democratic Party)

J. Richard (Dick) McEntee
(Prefers Republican Party)

ATTORNEY GENERAL

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Rob McKenna
(Prefers Republican Party)

John Ladenburg
(Prefers Democratic Party)

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Doug Sutherland
(Prefers Republican Party)

Peter J. Goldmark
(Prefers Democratic Party)

STATE Nonpartisan Offices

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Teresa (Terry) Bergeson

Randy Dorn

STATE Partisan Offices

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

FOUR Year Term
(Vote for ONE)

Mike Kreidler
(Prefers Democratic Party)

John R. Adams
(Prefers Republican Party)

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STATE Partisan Offices	COUNTY Partisan Offices	JUDICIAL Nonpartisan Offices	LOCAL
<p>STATE SENATOR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 18 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Joseph Zarelli (Prefers Republican Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jon Haugen (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>COWLITZ COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Tom Wilson (Prefers Republican Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Kathleen A. Johnson (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION NO. 1 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> James E. F. X. Warne</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>CITY OF CASTLE ROCK PROPOSITION NO. 1</p> <p>Shall the City of Castle Rock, Washington, be authorized to levy an excess property tax in the year 2008 for collection in 2009 of \$0.50 per \$1,000 of full assessed value for a total assessment of \$42,079 for the purpose of providing public library services to the citizens of Castle Rock?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> YES</p> <p><input type="radio"/> NO</p>
<p>STATE REPRESENTATIVE, POS. 1 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 18 TWO Year Short and Full Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jaime Herrera (Prefers Republican Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Vanessa Duplessie (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>COWLITZ COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> George Raiter (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rama Mitchell Jr. (Prefers Republican Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION NO. 2 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Stephen M. Warning</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>PROPOSITION NO. 1 CASTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401 REDISTRICTING OF SCHOOL DIRECTOR DISTRICTS</p> <p>The Board of Directors of Castle Rock School District No. 401 adopted Resolution Nos. 2008-02 and 2008-08 concerning a proposition to redivide the District into director districts. This proposition would dissolve the existing directors' districts and reapportion the District into three directors' districts with two directors at large and provide for incumbent directors to serve to the expiration of their current term of office, all as provided in District Resolution Nos. 2008-02 and 2008-08.</p> <p>Should this proposition be:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> APPROVED</p> <p><input type="radio"/> REJECTED</p>
<p>STATE REPRESENTATIVE, POS. 2 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 18 TWO Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Ed Orcutt (Prefers Republican Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jonathan Fant (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>COUNTY Nonpartisan Offices</p> <p>P.U.D. COMMISSIONER DISTRICT NO. 1 SIX Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Merritt (Buz) Ketcham</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION NO. 3 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jill M. Johanson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>PROPOSITION NO. 1 CASTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401 REDISTRICTING OF SCHOOL DIRECTOR DISTRICTS</p> <p>The Board of Directors of Castle Rock School District No. 401 adopted Resolution Nos. 2008-02 and 2008-08 concerning a proposition to redivide the District into director districts. This proposition would dissolve the existing directors' districts and reapportion the District into three directors' districts with two directors at large and provide for incumbent directors to serve to the expiration of their current term of office, all as provided in District Resolution Nos. 2008-02 and 2008-08.</p> <p>Should this proposition be:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> APPROVED</p> <p><input type="radio"/> REJECTED</p>
<p>STATE SENATOR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 19 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brian Hatfield (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>JUDICIAL Nonpartisan Offices</p> <p>SUPREME COURT JUSTICE POSITION NO. 3 SIX Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Mary Fairhurst</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION NO. 4 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Jim Stoner</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>LOCAL Nonpartisan Offices</p> <p>CITY OF KELSO COUNCIL POSITION NO. 1 ONE Year Unexpired Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Rick Roberson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>STATE REPRESENTATIVE, POS. 1 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 19 TWO Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Dean Takko (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPREME COURT JUSTICE POSITION NO. 4 SIX Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Charles W. Johnson</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION NO. 5 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>CITY OF KELSO COUNCIL POSITION NO. 5 THREE YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Gerald P. Malella</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>
<p>STATE REPRESENTATIVE, POS. 2 LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 19 TWO Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Brian E. Blake (Prefers Democratic Party)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPREME COURT JUSTICE POSITION NO. 7 SIX Year Short and Full Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Debra L. Stephens</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION NO. 6 FOUR Year Term (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>	<p>CITY OF KELSO COUNCIL POSITION NO. 5 THREE YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM (Vote for ONE)</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p> <p><input type="radio"/> _____</p>

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LOCAL

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
COWLITZ COUNTY FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6
LEVY LID LIFT**

The Board of Commissioners of Cowlitz County Fire Protection District No. 6 adopted Resolution No. 2008-08-11-1 concerning an increase in the District's regular property tax levy. This proposition would allow the district to permanently increase its regular property tax levy to provide revenues necessary to meet the maintenance and operation expenses of the District, so that in 2009 it can levy for collection in 2010 regular property taxes at the rate of \$0.81 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, and increase the levy each year thereafter as allowed or limited by chapter 84.55 RCW, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits.

Should this proposition be:

- APPROVED
- REJECTED

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
COWLITZ TRANSIT AUTHORITY
SALES AND USE TAX FOR PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION**

The Board of Directors of the Cowlitz Transit Authority adopted Resolution No. 1 concerning a proposition to finance expenses of the Transit Authority. This proposition would authorize the Transit Authority to increase the sales and use tax collected within the Cowlitz County Public Transportation Benefit Area from the current rate of one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) to three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) of the selling price. The tax proceeds would be used only for the purpose of funding the operations, maintenance or capital needs of the public transportation system.

Should this proposition be approved?

- YES
- NO
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