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151st District Survey Results from Tila Hubrecht

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151st District, Missouri - Representative Hubrecht sent a survey to constituents of the 151st District to determine the standing of the district on various issues facing Missourians. A total of 678 surveys were returned to the office. Listed below are the questions on the survey and the percentages of Yes, No, No Opinion.

1. Does Missouri's current \$26.2 billion in revenues adequately provide for the various needs of state government?
 - a. 320 or 47.2% Yes
 - b. 127 or 18.7% No
 - c. 65 or 9.5% No Opinion
 - d. 163 or 24% No Response

2. Should tax credit programs like these be reined in because they reduce tax revenues available to state government spending priorities like education, public safety and the disabled?
 - a. 258 or 38% Yes
 - b. 215 or 31.7% No
 - c. 48 or 7% No Opinion
 - d. 155 or 22.8% No Response

3. Should MO tax laws be changed to apply the same sales tax rates and requirements to all purchases, for both MO-based retailers and purchases made over the internet?
 - a. 254 or 37% Yes
 - b. 245 or 36.1% No
 - c. 28 or 4.1% No Opinion
 - d. 151 or 22.2% No Response

4. Should MO enact public-private partnerships that would lease certain MO roads and bridges to private entities to maintain in exchange for the ability of those entities to charge tolls?
 - a. 105 or 15.4% Yes
 - b. 388 or 57.2% No
 - c. 31 or 4.5% No Opinion
 - d. 150 or 22.1% No Response

5. Should the legislature put before the voters a proposition that would temporarily increase the current 17-cent per gallon road tax by a modest amount so that additional revenues could be bonded to generate additional revenue for road and bridge construction?
 - a. 228 or 33.6% Yes
 - b. 288 or 42.4% No
 - c. 10 or 1.4% No Opinion
 - d. 151 or 22.2% No Response

6. Does Missouri's current system for attracting and retaining quality educators work effectively?
 - a. 208 or 30.6% Yes
 - b. 233 or 34.3% No
 - c. 82 or 12% No Opinion
 - d. 154 or 22.7% No Response

7. Should MO's education department stay out of curriculum development and performance reviews because these are issues best handled by the local school districts?

- a. 412 or 60.7% Yes
- b. 82 or 12% No
- c. 33% or 4.8% No Opinion
- d. 151 or 22.2% No Response

8. Should the state allow parents the option of transferring their children to a “virtual school” that meets the state education standards for children that are more likely to effectively learn through “online education”?

- a. 265 or 39% Yes
- b. 196 or 28.9% No
- c. 64 or 9.4% No Opinion
- d. 152 or 22.4% No Response

9. Should MO accept additional federal funds for Medicaid expansion if the state can receive the authority to overhaul the existing Medicaid system into a less cumbersome and more effective health care delivery system?

- a. 279 or 41.1% Yes
- b. 204 or 30% No
- c. 38 or 5.6% No Opinion
- d. 156 or 23% No Response

10. Should MO’s term limit system be less restrictive by allowing the same 16 years total, without regard to the chamber in which the member serves?

- a. 119 or 17.5% Yes
- b. 393 or 57.9% No
- c. 15 or 2.2% No Opinion
- d. 151 or 22.2% No Response

11. Should MO adopt more restrictive regulations on abortion service providers to further reduce the number of abortions occurring in the state?

- a. 386 or 56.9% Yes

- b. 112 or 16.5% No
- c. 31 or 4.5% No Opinion
- d. 149 or 21.9% No Response

12. Should MO law be changed to eliminate the requirement for citizens to obtain a concealed weapons permit before lawfully carrying a concealed weapon?

- a. 177 or 26.1% Yes
- b. 344 or 50.7% No
- c. 8 or 1.1% No Opinion
- d. 149 or 21.9% No Response

13. Should MO law be changed to abolish use of the death penalty?

- a. 48 or 7% Yes
- b. 449 or 66.2% No
- c. 27 or 3.9% No Opinion
- d. 154 or 22.7% No Response

14. Should MO law be changed to allow for the decriminalization for marijuana only for medicinal use?

- a. 221 or 32.6% Yes
- b. 276 or 40.7% No
- c. 23 or 3.3% No Opinion
- d. 158 or 23.3% No Response

A side note about the questions in the survey:

All representatives are given a list of 20 questions to choose to use on a district survey. A representative may choose to write his or her own questions but these are more difficult to obtain the tabulated responses. This year, Representative Hubrecht chose to use the "stock" questions choosing 12 that she felt were most pressing to be included on a survey.

**The No Response answers were reviewed by Representative Hubrecht and her staff, these unanswered responses were not all on the same survey. Many surveys answered only specific questions leaving the remaining questions unanswered resulting in the No Response category.

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