



EARLY / ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION
ARLINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS
NOVEMBER 7, 2023

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BALLOT

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: ●

BALLOT QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1:

Shall the Town of Arlington be allowed to assess an additional \$7,000,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the operating budgets of the Town and the Public Schools for the fiscal year beginning July first, 2024?

YES

NO

QUESTION 2:

Shall this town accept the provisions of Chapter 285 of the Acts of 2020 'An Act Authorizing the Town of Arlington to Establish a Means Tested Senior Citizen Property Tax Exemption,' a fair and concise summary of which appears below?

Summary

Acceptance of the Special Act as requested by Town Meeting would provide income-based local property tax relief for eligible residents over 65 years of age who own and occupy homes worth less than the median assessed value, and qualify for the State "circuit breaker" income ceiling under G.L. c. 62 section 6(k).

If accepted, the Select Board shall annually set the amount of relief for qualifying seniors subject to two constraints. First no qualifying resident may have their tax obligation reduced by more than 50 percent, and second, that the Town's total tax relief under the program cannot be greater than 1 percent of the fiscal year's total residential property tax levy for the Town.

YES

NO