

N.J.A.C. 5:31-2: APPENDIX G

Public Question - Release of Restricted Fund Balance Referendum (Fire Districts)

The Public Question and Interpretative Statement to be placed on the ballot shall be as follows:

Public Question

"Shall the Board of Commissioners of (*name and number of fire district*) be authorized to appropriate from its restricted Fund Balance (*insert dollar amount*) of its Restricted Fund Balance to use as general revenue in the district's (*insert year*) Fire District Budget?

A "yes" vote will authorize the Board of Commissioners of the fire district to use (*insert dollar amount*) as general revenue in the district's (*insert year*) budget and appropriate said funds to provide and maintain essential district services for the residents of the district. Because the funds were previously restricted for capital purposes, this amount can be included in the budget when approved by referendum of the voters. This additional amount will be appropriated for the purposes set forth below, increasing the total appropriation for each such purpose from what would otherwise be appropriated:

(List each line item with the corresponding amount for referendum)

...

If referendum is approved (a "yes" vote) by a vote in excess of 50 percent of the voters casting a vote at the referendum, the budget will be deemed adopted.

A "no" vote means that the District Board of Commissioners will be adopted without the release of (*insert dollar amount*) of its Restricted Fund Balance for use as general revenue.

(Insert here any other such relevant information as the Board may wish to include in the Statement.)"