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**For 11/07/2017--GENERAL ELECTION**

Public Question NO. 2

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT DEDICATING MONEYS FROM STATE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION CASES

DO YOU APPROVE AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION TO DEDICATE ALL MONEYS COLLECTED BY THE STATE RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGES IN CASES OF CONTAMINATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT? THE MONEYS WOULD HAVE TO BE USED TO REPAIR, RESTORE, REPLACE, OR PRESERVE THE STATE'S NATURAL RESOURCES. THE MONEYS MAY ALSO BE USED TO PAY LEGAL OR OTHER COSTS INCURRED BY THE STATE IN PURSUING ITS CLAIMS.

**Interpretive Statement**

THIS AMENDMENT WOULD DEDICATE MONEYS COLLECTED BY THE STATE RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGES THROUGH SETTLEMENTS OR AWARDS FOR LEGAL CLAIMS BASED ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION. THESE MONEYS WOULD BE DEDICATED TO REPAIR, REPLACE, OR RESTORE DAMAGED NATURAL RESOURCES, OR TO PRESERVE THE STATE'S NATURAL RESOURCES. THE MONEYS WOULD BE SPENT IN AN AREA AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA IN WHICH THE DAMAGE OCCURRED. THE MONEYS COULD ALSO BE USED TO PAY FOR THE STATE'S LEGAL OR OTHER COSTS IN PURSUING THE CLAIMS. CURRENTLY, THESE MONEYS MAY BE USED FOR ANY STATE PURPOSE.

<b>County</b>	<b>Yes Count</b>	<b>No Count</b>
ATLANTIC	35,162	18,730
BERGEN	110,393	42,881
BURLINGTON	70,605	32,344
CAMDEN	70,071	25,287
CAPE MAY	15,920	6,947
CUMBERLAND	13,170	8,092
ESSEX	66,183	17,853
GLOUCESTER	44,474	21,291
HUDSON	47,088	12,036
HUNTERDON	25,723	15,138
MERCER	55,059	22,299
MIDDLESEX	74,261	39,422
MONMOUTH	99,106	53,920
MORRIS	81,132	31,706
OCEAN	79,500	50,010
PASSAIC	42,715	16,292
SALEM	10,471	6,684
SOMERSET	53,779	24,997
SUSSEX	28,753	12,921
UNION	54,452	22,149
WARREN	15,431	9,764
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,093,448</b>	<b>490,763</b>