**Fiscal Facts: Nearly $600 Million in School Referenda on April 3rd Ballot**

The biggest financial impact of this spring’s elections may be felt by taxpayers in school districts where referenda to borrow money or exceed state-imposed revenue limits are on the ballot. Thirty school districts are asking spring voters to approve borrowing a total of $596.3 million.

Twenty-six districts are seeking $109.4 million in time-limited exemptions from state-imposed revenue caps, and seven districts are asking for $6.3 million in ongoing exemptions from the caps. Voter approvals of school referenda have risen from about 50% during 1995-2010 to roughly 75% in recent years.

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