

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR JOSEPHINE COUNTY  
STATE OF OREGON**

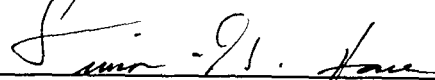
In the Matter of Referring to Josephine )  
County Voters at the May 21, 2013 )      Resolution No. 2013-010  
Election a Measure for a Criminal )  
Justice and Public Safety Three Year )  
Local Option Tax )

The JOSEPHINE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS hereby resolves:

1. The measure in the ballot title, attached hereto as Exhibit A, shall be referred to the electors of the County for their "yes" or "no" vote.
2. The ballot title and explanatory statement, attached hereto and marked as Exhibits A and B are approved for submission to the Josephine County Elections Officer, "County Clerk," for the May 21, 2013 Election.
3. The Josephine County Legal Counsel will certify form SEL 801, the Notice of County Measure Election, as required by law.
4. Following certification, the Josephine County Legal Counsel shall cause to be delivered to the County Clerk this resolution, ballot title, form SEL 801, and explanatory statement for the voter's pamphlet, for further action as required by law for placement on the May 21, 2013 election ballot.
5. The County Clerk shall give notice of receipt of the ballot title and notice of electors' right to petition for review of the ballot title as provided by law.

DONE AND DATED this 7th day of February, 2013.

JOSEPHINE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
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Simon G. Hare, Chair

  
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Cheryl Walker, Vice-Chair

  
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K.O. Heck, Commissioner

**EXHIBIT A**

**BALLOT MEASURE \_\_\_\_\_**

**CAPTION:**

Criminal Justice and Public Safety Three Year Local Option Tax

**QUESTION:**

Shall Josephine County impose \$1.48 per \$1,000 assessed value for criminal justice and public safety for three years beginning 2013?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**

This measure would affect all parts of the criminal justice and public safety system and provide funding for services, which may include:

- Increase inmate capacity at adult jail
- Increase in number of criminal cases prosecuted by District Attorney
- Provide school security program and resources
- Provide support for Animal Control field services and animal shelter
- Provide Juvenile Justice services and detention
- Increase Sheriff's deputies' response and patrol
- Provide support for Sheriff's Office civil services (investigations, evidence, records, and court security)

The revenue from this measure would be used for criminal justice and public safety services only.

At \$1.48 per \$1,000, for every \$100,000 of a property's assessed value, the tax would cost \$12.33 per month or \$148 per year. The approximate tax increase for a home with an assessed value of \$150,000 would be \$222.00 per year, or approximately \$18.50 per month. The proposed rate will raise approximately \$9,553,000 in 2013-2014; \$9,840,000 in 2014-2015; and \$10,135,000 in 2015-2016.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate.

EXHIBIT B

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR VOTERS' PAMPHLET

Ballot Title Caption Criminal Justice and Public Safety Three Year Local Option Tax

Measure No. \_\_\_\_\_ Word Total (500 max) 332

Over 67 percent of the land in Josephine County is federally owned. Payments to counties for federal forest lands have declined each of the last five years and no more payments are expected. The decline and expiration of federal forest land payments to Oregon counties has affected Josephine County and caused reductions in county funding, primarily funding for criminal justice and public safety services. In the November 2012 general election over 74 percent of Josephine County voters said that the current level of service provided by the county criminal justice system did not meet the needs of the community.

This measure would increase the levels of criminal justice and public safety services by providing funding to hold more inmates than are currently held in the adult jail, increase the number of criminal cases prosecuted by the District Attorney's Office, and provide funding for a school security program to ensure the safety of schools.

This measure would provide funding support for Animal Control field services and for the animal shelter, funding for Juvenile Justice services and detention, and increase Sheriff's deputies' response and patrols. In addition, the measure would provide funding for the civil services provided by the Sheriff's Office, including investigations, evidence, records, and court security. The Sheriff's Office civil division would be able to increase its hours of service to the public and the Sheriff's Office would be able to increase its major crimes investigation services.

This measure would not restore services to the level that existed prior to the budget reductions, but services would be increased from the current level. The measure would affect all parts of the criminal justice and public safety system.

At \$1.48 per \$1,000, for every \$100,000 of a property's assessed value, the tax would cost \$12.33 per month or \$148 per year. The approximate tax increase for a home with an assessed value of \$150,000 would be \$222.00 per year, or approximately \$18.50 per month.

The levy would be for three years beginning in 2013.

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Board of County Commissioners  
Person responsible for the content of the Statement

Josephine County  
Name of the Government Body person represents