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SPRINGFIELD, IL. March 7, 2003 - State Board of Elections' officials today announced that over three hundred public policy questions will be voted at the April 1st local elections.

Board director Ron Michaelson said that in addition to election of many local officials, voters will decide 344 local referenda questions.

"Most voters have probably seen or heard news reports regarding local candidates and questions on the Consolidated Election ballot," Michaelson said.

"However, some issues that might significantly impact small communities are not always the attention grabbers that newscasts or papers report on," he added, "and in our busy everyday schedules we might overlook an important issue up for debate."

"That is why every election we ask voters to take a minute to find out what questions will be on their local ballot," Michaelson said.

"Over seventy percent of the question—242—address some form of tax or bonding issue that may have significant impact on a community's future," he said.

"Please take a few moments in the coming weeks to examine the questions on your regional ballot. Explore the consequences of your options and don't let this opportunity pass you by—vote on April 1st," Michaelson said.

Additional information about local election ballots can be obtained from [local county clerks and boards of election](#).

TYPE	NUMBER OF DIFFERENT PROPOSALS
Taxes	202
Bonds	40
Miscellaneous	82
Advisory	20
School	
Taxes	95
Bonds	23
Miscellaneous	18
Alcohol/Liquor Questions	12
County-wide Tax Cap (PTELL)	1

Moultrie	
Library Issues	23
Park/Recreation Issues	24
Public Safety Issues	11
Zoning Issues	5

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