Western New England University Polling Institute
Massachusetts Statewide Survey, June 16-20, 2013, Final Draft
Cell Phone Version

Date: _______________  Time: __________  Interviewer: ________________

Respondent phone number: __________  Record number: __________

Q: INTRO
Hello, my name is (first name),

I am calling on behalf of Western New England University. We are conducting a public opinion survey in Massachusetts. The survey takes no more than eight minutes and all answers are confidential. Would you be willing to take the survey?

IF YES, CLICK NEXT TO CONTINUE.

IF NO, HIT CTRL-END AND CODE AS A REFUSAL.

IF THEY WANT TO SCHEDULE A CALLBACK, HIT CTRL-END AND SCHEDULE A CALLBACK.

IF THERE IS NO ANSWER, HIT CTRL-END AND CODE THE PHONE NUMBER APPROPRIATELY.

IF RESPONDENT OBJECTS TO RECEIVING A CALL ON A CELL PHONE:
"I understand that this is a cell phone number. We are calling both cell phone and landline numbers to ensure we have a representative sample. Would you be willing to complete this short survey?"

Q: SAFE
Are you in a place where you can safely talk on the phone and answer my questions?
For example, if you are driving we can schedule a time to call back.

IF THE ANSWER IS YES, CLICK NEXT TO CONTINUE.

IF THE ANSWER IS YES, BUT THE RESPONDENT SAYS HE / SHE IS DRIVING, SAY THAT WE WILL CALL THEM BACK. HIT CTRL-END AND SCHEDULE A CALLBACK.

IF THE ANSWER IS NO, HIT CTRL-END AND SCHEDULE A CALLBACK.

Q: SCREEN
Are you age 18 or older?

IF THE ANSWER IS YES, CLICK NEXT TO CONTINUE.

IF THE ANSWER IS NO, THANK THE RESPONDENT FOR HIS / HER TIME, AND EXPLAIN THAT WE ARE ONLY INTERVIEWING ADULTS FOR THE SURVEY. THEN, HIT CTRL-END AND CODE THE RESPONDENT AS INELIGIBLE.
Q: Q1
Are you a resident of Massachusetts?

1. Yes
2. No
9. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q2a
What is the name of the county in Massachusetts where you live?

(INTERVIEWER: DO NOT READ CHOICES)

1. Barnstable
2. Berkshire
3. Bristol
4. Dukes
5. Essex
6. Franklin
7. Hampden
8. Hampshire
9. Middlesex
10. Nantucket
11. Norfolk
12. Plymouth
13. Suffolk
14. Worcester
15. Other (Specify): _____________________________
99. Don't know / refused

Q: Q2
GENDER (by observation)

1. Male
2. Female

Q: PRES1
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

1 Approve
2 Disapprove
9 Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q41
Are you currently registered to vote at the address where you live or not?

1. Yes
2. No
9. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)
Q: Q42
In politics today, do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, Independent or something else?

1 Democrat
2 Republican
3 Independent
4 Something else/ Other
9 Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q42a
Do you lean more toward the Democratic Party or more toward the Republican Party?

1 Democratic
2 Republican
3 Other Party (DO NOT READ)
4 Neither (DO NOT READ)
9 Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q43
Next, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following people. If you haven't heard of them or don't have an opinion of them, just tell me and we'll move on.

(HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE)
(NOTE: Q44 – Q45 ROTATE IN RANDOM ORDER)

Q: Q44
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Ed Markey?

1. Favorable
2. Unfavorable
3. Haven't heard of
4. No opinion
9. Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q45
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Gabriel Gomez?

1. Favorable
2. Unfavorable
3. Haven't heard of
4. No opinion
9. Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ)
Q: Q44a
As you may know, Massachusetts voters will vote for a United States Senator on June 25th. How much INTEREST do you have in this election - a lot, some, a little, or none at all?

(INTerviEner: NO NEEed TO READ THE RESPONSE CATEGORIES AGAIN BELOW)

1. A lot
2. Some
3. A little
4. None at all
9. Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q45a
Do you think you will definitely vote, probably vote, probably NOT vote, or definitely NOT vote in the election on June 25th?

(INTerviEner: NO NEEed TO READ THE RESPONSE CATEGORIES AGAIN BELOW)

1. Definitely will (GO TO Q. Q8)
2. Probably will (GO TO Q. Q8)
3. Probably will not (GO TO Q. Q8)
4. Definitely will not (GO TO Q. Q8)
8. Has already voted with an absentee ballot (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q. Q45b)
9. Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q. Q8)

Q: Q45b
Did you vote for

Gabriel Gomez, the Republican
Ed Markey, the Democrat

or some other candidate for Senate?

(The names of Ed Markey and Gabriel Gomez should rotate in random order in the question stem)

1. Ed Markey, the Democrat (GO TO Q. Q495)
2. Gabriel Gomez, the Republican (GO TO Q. Q495)
3. Another candidate (specify) ________________ (GO TO Q. Q495)
9. Refused to answer (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q. Q495)
Q: Q8
Do you happen to know where people who live in your neighborhood go to vote?

(INTERVIEWER: DON'T READ RESPONSES. IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, PROBE: Where is that?)

1. Yes, names location (enter location in box)______________________
2. Yes, but does not name location
3. No
4. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q. Q8B
In the election for governor in 2010, did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote in that election?

1. DID NOT vote in the 2010 election for governor (DO NOT READ)
2. DID vote in the 2010 election for governor (DO NOT READ)
3. Not eligible to vote in the 2010 election due to age (DO NOT READ)
4. Not eligible to vote in the 2010 election because respondent lived outside of Massachusetts at the time (DO NOT READ)
9. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: MATCH1
If the election for Senate were held today, and the candidates were

Ed Markey, the Democrat

and

Gabriel Gomez, the Republican

would you vote for

Ed Markey

Gabriel Gomez

or some other candidate for Senate?

(INTERVIEWER: RESPONSE CATEGORIES ROTATE)

1. Ed Markey, the Democrat (GO TO Q. Q494C)
2. Gabriel Gomez, the Republican (GO TO Q. Q494C)
3. Some other candidate (GO TO Q. MATCH1B)
4. Wouldn't vote (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q. MATCH1B)
5. Don't know / Undecided (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q. MATCH1B)
9. Refused (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q. MATCH1B)
At this moment do you lean more toward Ed Markey, the Democrat

or more toward Gabriel Gomez, the Republican

(Q: MATCH1B)

(INTERVIEWER: RESPONSE CATEGORIES ROTATE)

1. Ed Markey, the Democrat  (GO TO Q. Q494C)
2. Gabriel Gomez, the Republican  (GO TO Q. Q494C)
8. Don't know / Undecided (DO NOT READ)  (GO TO Q. Q495)
9. Refused (DO NOT READ)  (GO TO Q. Q495)

Q: Q494C

Are you very sure about your choice for the Senate, or might you change your mind before Election Day?

(INTERVIEWER: NO NEED TO RE-READ THE RESPONSE CATEGORIES BELOW)

1. Very sure
2. Might change mind
9. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q495

(We can compare this question to the Sept. 28 – Oct. 4, 2012 and April 11-18, 2013 surveys)
What is the most important issue to you personally in determining whom to vote for for the Senate?

[DO NOT READ LIST. ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER - PROBE FOR MOST IMPORTANT.]

01. The economy (general)/unemployment/jobs/stock market
02. Health care
03. Banking reform / Wall Street reform
04. Education
05. Taxes and tax reform
06. Budget deficit
07. Abortion / choice
08. Contraception
09. Social Security/retirement
10. Morals/ethics/personal integrity of the candidate
11. Defense/war on terrorism/national security/homeland security
12. Gun control
13. Environment
14. Crime
96. No Issue / The party of the candidate
97. No issue / Party control of the U.S. Senate
98. Other, specify:
99. Don't know/Refused
Q: TRAIT************************************************************************

(NOTE: NAMES OF CANDIDATES ROTATE IN RANDOM ORDER IN THIS QUESTION)

Regardless of how you plan to vote in the Senate election, please tell me whether you think each of the following statements applies more to

Gabriel Gomez

or

Ed Markey

(Note: Do not read choices "Neither," "Both," and "Don't Know / Refused")

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<th>Statement</th>
<th>Gomez</th>
<th>Markey</th>
<th>Neither</th>
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(NOTE: QUESTIONS Q495A AND Q495B ROTATE IN RANDOM ORDER)

Q: Q495A **********************************************************************

Which of the following words best describes Gabriel Gomez?
If you don't know enough to give an answer, just tell me and we'll move on.

1. Very liberal
2. Somewhat liberal
3. Moderate
4. Somewhat conservative
5. Very conservative
8. Don't know
9. Refused (DO NOT READ)
Q: Q495B
Which of the following words best describes Ed Markey?
If you don't know enough to give an answer, just tell me and we'll move on.

1. Very liberal
2. Somewhat liberal
3. Moderate
4. Somewhat conservative
5. Very conservative
6. Don't know
7. Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q9
In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they just didn't have time.

Thinking about the 2012 presidential election between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney, which of the following statements best describes you:

1. I did not vote in the 2012 presidential election
2. I thought about voting in 2012 - but didn't
3. I usually vote, but didn't in 2012
4. I am sure I voted in 2012
5. I wasn't old enough to vote in 2012 (DO NOT READ)
6. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q10a
Now, thinking about your telephone use, is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

1. Yes, has a home telephone
2. No, does not have a home telephone
3. Don't know / Refused (DO NOT READ)
Q: Q10b
Of all the PERSONAL telephone calls that you receive, do you get

1. All or almost all calls on a cell phone
2. Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone
3. All or almost all calls on a regular home phone
9. Don’t know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q12
We're almost finished. We have just a few more questions to help us understand our survey results.

What was the last grade in school that you completed?

(DO NOT READ CATEGORIES)

1. Eighth grade or less
2. High school incomplete (grades 9,10,11)
3. High school complete (grade 12)
4. Vocational/ technical school
5. Some college
6. Junior college graduate (2 yr, associate DEGREE)
7. Four year college graduate (bachelors)
8. Graduate work (masters, doctorate, law, medical school)
9. Don't know / refused

Q: Q13a
For statistical purposes only, in what year were you born?

(Interviewer: Enter the four-digit year. If the respondent refuses to answer the question, enter 9999.)

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Q: Q14
Are you of Latino or Hispanic origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or some other Spanish-speaking background?

1. Yes
2. No
9. Don't Know / Refused (DO NOT READ)
Q: Q15
Which of the following describes your race? You can select as many as apply.

(INTERVIEWER: CHECK ALL THAT APPLY. IF THE RESPONDENT SAYS HISPANIC, ASK IF SHE / HE IS WHITE HISPANIC OR BLACK HISPANIC. IF THE RESPONDENT REFUSES TO SAY, CODE THE RESPONDENT AS SOME OTHER RACE.)

1. White
2. Black or African-American
3. Native American
4. Asian or Asian-American
5. Some other race (DO NOT READ)
6. Don't Know / Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: Q16
So that we can group answers, is your total annual family income before taxes....?

1  Under $35,000
2  $35,000 to just under $70,000
3  $70,000 to just under $100,000
4  $100,000 or more
5  Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q: THANK1
That concludes the survey. Thank you very much for your help. The results of the survey will be released in The Springfield Republican newspaper and on MassLive.com beginning Sunday, June 23rd.

Sometimes we need to re-contact people to verify that this interview took place, or someone writing up the results for a news report may want to know more about how you feel. Would it be okay for us to re-contact you if necessary?

[IF YES, ASK:  Could I please have just your first name?]  

1. Yes
   If yes, First name______________________
2. No

Thank you for your time. Have a good day / evening.

Q: TERM1
We are only interviewing residents of Massachusetts for this study.
Thank you for your time. Have a good day / evening.