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Levy cost estimator on auditor's Web site gives voters needed tool

Property owners can learn individual expense associated with levies

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Oct. 1, 2009) – Franklin County Auditor Clarence E. Mingo II today announced that monthly estimated costs for proposed tax levies are available on the office's Web site at www.franklincountyauditor.com.

Voters in Franklin County will decide 10 tax levies in the upcoming general election on Tuesday, Nov. 3. People can begin voting early or by absentee ballot this week.

“Having the easy-to-use tool available right now gives needed information to the many thousands of people who choose to vote absentee or early,” Mingo said. “The estimator program allows all taxpayers to look at accurate numbers to help make an informed decision.”

Four school districts in Franklin County – Reynoldsburg, Southwestern, Westerville and Worthington – will have levies on the ballot. Other proposed levies include two fire levies in Pleasant Township; a general construction levy in Perry Township; a library levy in Bexley and a police levy in Blendon Township.

Voters also will decide a countywide 3.1 mills replacement and decrease levy for Franklin County Children Services.

To access the individual cost of a levy online, select the “Property Search” link on the upper right-hand corner of the auditor's homepage. After searching by name, address or parcel number, select the “Levy Info” tab on the left side of the page for a breakdown of estimated levy costs for a home or business.

Levy cost estimates are based on the current property values and proposed millage.

For more information, please visit www.franklincountyauditor.com or call 614-462-4663.