



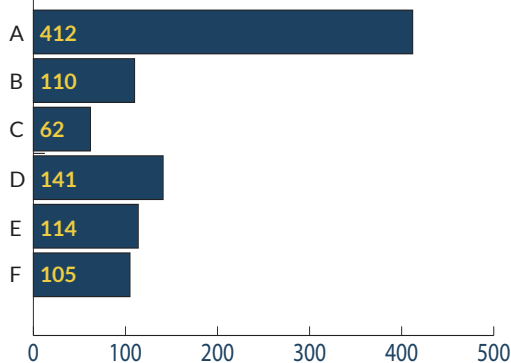
# 2019 SURVEY RESULTS

## STATE SENATOR MARK MESSMER

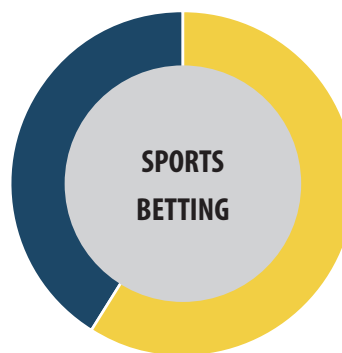
- 1.** When the legislature adopts a new state budget during the 2019 session, which one of the following do you think should be the top priority? *(Percentages indicate the current portion of the General Fund spent on each category.)*

### BUDGET PRIORITIES

A) K-12 schools (51%)  
 B) Medicaid (14%)  
 C) Higher education (12%)  
 D) Public safety (6%)  
 E) Department of Child Services (4%)  
 F) Other



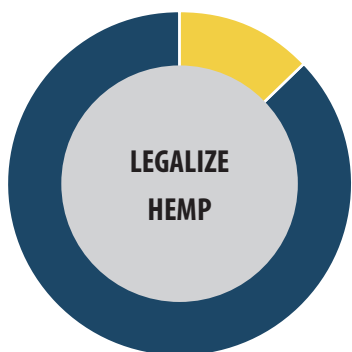
- 2.** In 2018, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that states have the right to decide if they want to allow sports betting or not. So far, six states have approved sports betting regulations and 14 more are considering state laws to regulate it. Should the General Assembly establish regulations legalizing sports betting in Indiana?



**Yes**  
41%

**No**  
59%

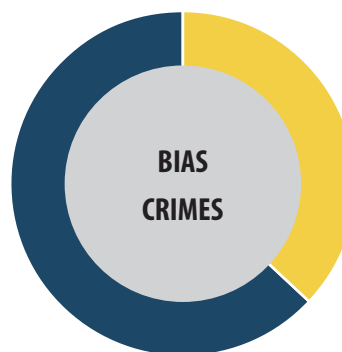
- 3.** Hemp is a non-intoxicating plant related to marijuana that can be used for oil and fiber products. Currently, industrial hemp is imported into Indiana from other states and countries. Should Indiana farmers be allowed to grow this commodity?



**Yes**  
87%

**No**  
13%

- 4.** Indiana is one of only five states that does not have a specific bias crimes law, although there is an Indiana Supreme Court ruling that allows judges to add an aggravator penalty to a person's crime during sentencing. Should Indiana's laws state specifically that a criminal should receive a longer sentence if they committed their crime because of prejudice against the victim?



**Yes**  
63%

**No**  
37%

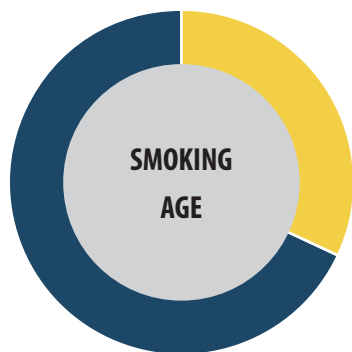
*Results calculated using online and mailed-in survey responses from Senate District 48.*



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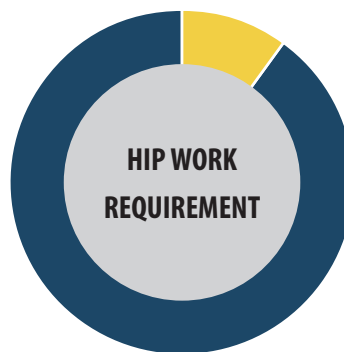
- 5.** The minimum legal age to buy cigarettes in Indiana is currently 18. Do you support or oppose raising the smoking age to 21?



**Support**  
68%

**Oppose**  
32%

- 6.** Should Indiana require able-bodied adults to work or look for work in order to receive publicly funded healthcare coverage under the Healthy Indiana Plan?



**Yes**  
90%

**No**  
10%

*Questions on this page were asked online only.*