Hasenfeld Institute~Fleming Public Leadership Poll Project
Rhode Island   - April 2015

Respondent’s gender Male……47%     Female……53%

What is your age?

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Generally speaking do you feel things in the State of Rhode Island are moving in the right direction or do you feel that things have moved in the wrong direction?

- Right Direction…32.8%
- Wrong Direction…42.5%
- Remained the same (Vol)…14.4%
- Not Sure…10.2%

Do you feel that with newly elected leaders for the State of Rhode Island there will be stronger leadership over the next few years in Rhode Island?

- Yes 54.2%
- No…28.4%
- Not sure…17.4%

Thinking about problems facing Rhode Island what do you think is the most important problem?

- Taxes…18.7%
- Lack of effective leadership 9.7%
- Government spending 10.4%
- Job opportunities…30.1%
- Cost of health care…5.7%
- Government corruption…13.9%
- Public school performance…7.0%
- Not Sure…4.5%

Governor Raimondo has stated her budget focuses on creating jobs. Do you think the Governor’s following initiatives will create jobs in Rhode Island?

A. Targeted Tax Credits for businesses
   Yes…59.0%   No…26.1%   Not sure…14.9%

B. Create a college loan forgiveness program for Rhode Island students
   Yes…46.5%   No…43.0%   Not sure…10.4%

C. Twenty five million dollars for economic development of vacant land in downtown Providence
   Yes…50.5%   No…37.3%   Not sure…12.2%

D. State Tourism Marketing Campaign
   Yes…52.7%   No…33.3%   Not sure…13.9%

E. State infrastructure bank
   Yes…37.3%   No…37.3%   Not sure…25.4%
Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the Governor and General Assembly passing the following initiatives?

A. Taxing health insurance plans to fund Health Source RI 26.6% - 62.7%

Strongly Support…11.9% Somewhat Support 14.7% Somewhat Oppose…17.2% Strongly Oppose 45.5% Not sure 10.7%

B. Eliminating the sales tax on electricity and natural gas used by businesses 55.5% - 39.8%

Strongly Support 35.6% Somewhat Support 19.9% Somewhat Oppose…18.4% Strongly Oppose 21.4% Not sure 4.7%

C. Funds for full day kindergarten 69.9% - 25.1%

Strongly Support…51.0% Somewhat Support 18.9% Somewhat Oppose…10.4% Strongly Oppose 14.7% Not sure 5.0%

D. Reducing Medicaid costs by 10% 69.2% - 21.1%

Strongly Support…47.5% Somewhat Support 21.6% Somewhat Oppose…7.7% Strongly Oppose 13.4% Not sure .9%

E. Increasing the minimum wage to $10.10 an hour 75.4% - 22.4%

Strongly Support…53.0% Somewhat Support 22.4% Somewhat Oppose…7.2% Strongly Oppose 15.2% Not sure .2%

F. Approving the pension settlement agreed upon by the state and unions 60.0% - 22.1%

Strongly Support…32.6% Somewhat Support 27.4% Somewhat Oppose…8.5% Strongly Oppose 13.7% Not sure 17.9%

Do you consider yourself more of a Democrat or a Republican?

Democrat……38.6%. Republican……14.2% Independent (Vol)……43.0% Refused……4.2%……

Was your total household income last year ….? 
Less than $25,000……12.2%
$25,000 to $50,000… 17.2%
$50,000 to $75,000… 14.2%
$75,000 to $100,000. 15.4%
$100,000 or greater… 25.4%
Refused ........................15.7%