



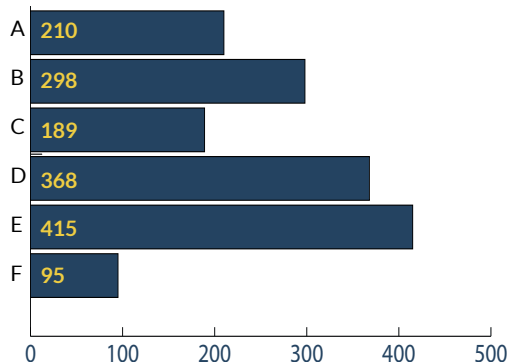
2017 SURVEY RESULTS

STATE SENATOR JIM MERRITT

- 1.** When the legislature adopts a new state budget during the 2017 session, which one of the following do you think should be the top priority?

BUDGET FUNDING

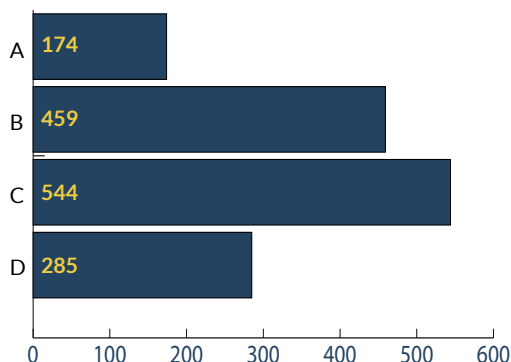
- A. Addiction treatment to address the drug epidemic
- B. Cutting Taxes
- C. Expanding state funding for preschool
- D. Increasing pay for K-12 teachers
- E. Increasing road funding
- F. Increasing technology funding for schools



- 2.** Which of the following do you think is more important?

EDUCATION FUNDING

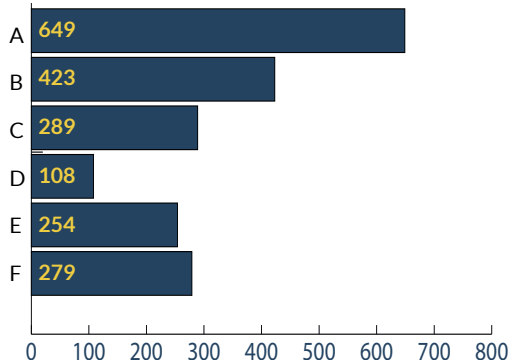
- A. Increasing funding for preschool programs
- B. Raising pay for K-12 teachers
- C. Preschool and teacher pay are equally important
- D. None of these need a funding increase



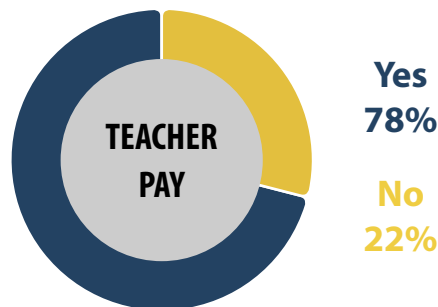
- 3.** Which of the following changes would you support to increase road funding? (You may select more than one option.)

ROAD FUNDING

- A. Increasing the gas tax
- B. Indexing the gas tax so that it changes with inflation each year
- C. Tolling roads and bridges
- D. A per-mile tax determined by tracking how far each driver travels
- E. Paying an annual fee to the BMV
- F. None of the above



- 4.** The U.S. is facing a shortage of teachers in subjects like math, science and special education. Do you think Indiana should direct more school funding specifically to teacher pay?



Results calculated using online and mailed-in survey responses from Senate District 31.