

*the question of whether or not such growers and producers shall levy upon themselves an assessment under and subject to and for the purposes stated in this article. Such referendum may be conducted either on a state-wide or area basis.*

**83H.**

*With respect to any referendum conducted under the provisions of this article, the duly certified ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency shall, before calling and announcing such referendum, fix, determine and publicly announce at least sixty days before the date determined upon for such referendum, the date, hours and polling places for the voting in such referendum, the amount and basis of the assessment proposed to be collected, the means by which such assessment shall be collected if authorized by the growers, and the general purposes to which said amount so collected shall be applied; no annual assessment levied under the provisions of this article shall exceed one half of one per cent of the value of the year's production of such agricultural commodity grown by any farmer, producer or grower included in the group to which such referendum is submitted.*

**83-I.**

*The arrangements for and management of any referendum conducted under the provisions of this article shall be under the direction of the ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or other agency duly certified and authorized to conduct the same, and any and all expenses in connection therewith shall be borne by such ~~commission~~ ASSOCIATION, council, board or agency.*

**83J.**

*Any referendum conducted under the provisions of this article may be held either on an area or state-wide basis, as may be determined by the certified agency before such referendum is called; and such referendum, either on an area or state-wide basis, may be participated in by all farmers engaged in the production of such agricultural commodity on a commercial basis, including owners of farms on which such commodity is produced, tenants and sharecroppers. In such referendum, such individuals so eligible for participation shall vote upon the question of whether or not there shall be levied an annual assessment for a period of five years in the amount set forth in the call for such referendum on the agricultural product covered by such referendum.*

**83K.**

*If in such referendum with respect to any agricultural commodity herein referred to more than one third of the farmers and producers in the area in which such referendum is conducted, eligible to participate and voting therein shall vote in the negative and against the levying or collection of such assessment, then in such an event no assessment shall be levied or collected.*

**83L.**

*If in such referendum called under the provisions of this article two thirds or more of the farmers or producers in the area in*