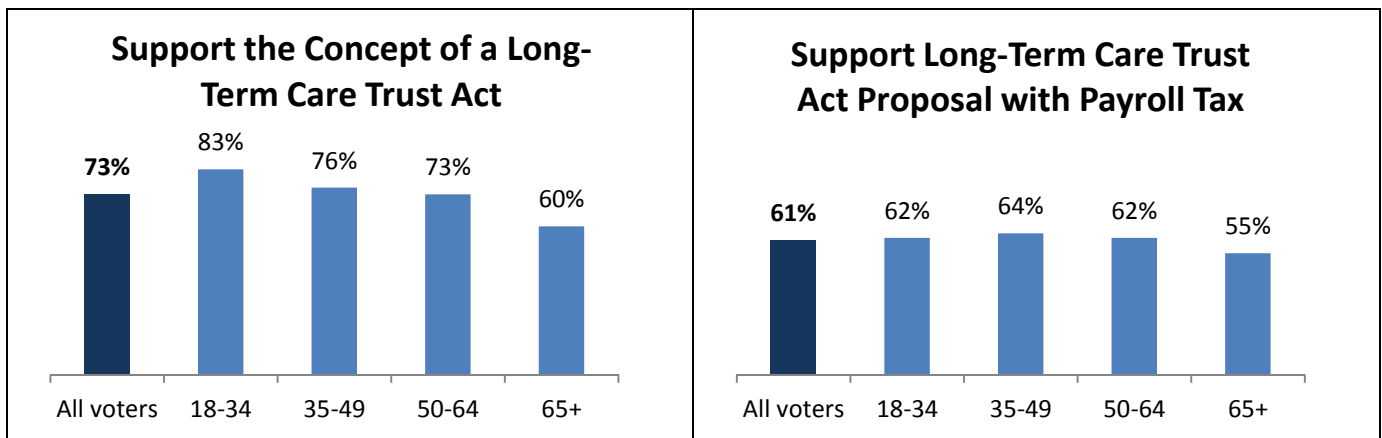


# 2018 AARP Washington Long-Term Care Trust Act Survey: A Majority of Voters in Washington Support the Proposed Bill

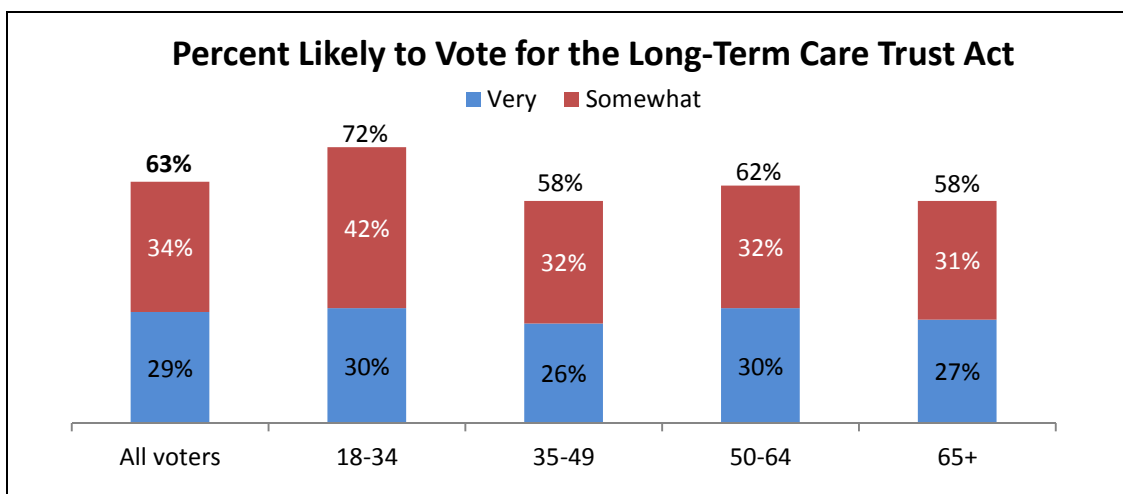


The Washington State Legislature is currently considering a bill called the “Long-Term Care Trust Act” that would provide monetary assistance to individuals experiencing difficulties with activities of daily living or ADLs. This bill would be paid for with a payroll tax of one-half of one percent (.0058) by all Washington employees. The AARP Washington State Office commissioned this survey to gauge Washington registered voters’ opinions about this bill and determine whether or not they would support it.

**Most voters in Washington 18-plus SUPPORT both the concept of a long-term care trust as well as the current proposal for this trust paid for with a payroll tax.** Over **seven in ten** registered voters in Washington **support** (30% strongly support; 43% somewhat support) **the concept** of Washington State creating a long-term care trust that would help Washingtonians pay for help with activities of daily living as they age. While the payroll tax was introduced in the survey’s preamble, **six in ten voters still support a long-term care trust when the payroll tax is specifically mentioned** in the survey question.



Similarly, **six in ten (63%) registered voters say they would be likely** (very or somewhat) to vote for the bill if it were on the ballot today.



**Methodology:** Data for this study were collected via a telephone survey among 613 registered voters age 18-plus in Washington State. Both cell phone and landline numbers were randomly drawn from a registered voter list. Interviews were conducted August 14-27, 2018. The survey has a margin of sampling error of ±4 percent. For more information about the methodology, contact Laura Skufca (lskufca@aarp.org). For more information about these results, contact Cathleen Maccaul (cmaccaul@aarp.org).