

UPCOMING BALLOT MEASURES (As of 05/11/12)

Propositions that are on the June 2012 Statewide Ballot

Proposition 28

Initiative Constitutional Amendment

1394. (09-0048, Amdt. #1S)

Limits on Legislators' Terms in Office. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 11/23/09 | Circulation Deadline: 04/22/10 | Signatures Required: 694,354
Proponent: Lance H. Olson (916) 442-2952

Reduces the total amount of time a person may serve in the state legislature from 14 years to 12 years. Allows a person to serve a total of 12 years either in the Assembly, the Senate, or a combination of both. Applies only to legislators first elected after the measure is passed. Provides that legislators elected before the measure is passed continue to be subject to existing term limits.

CalChamber Position: Support

Proposition 29

Initiative Statute

1444. (09-0097)

Imposes Additional Tax on Cigarettes for Cancer Research. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/01/10 | Circulation Deadline: 07/01/10 | Signatures Required: 433,971
Proponent: N. Eugene Hill (916) 442-2952

Imposes additional five cent tax on each cigarette distributed (\$1.00 per pack), and an equivalent tax increase on other tobacco products, to fund cancer research and other specified purposes. Requires tax revenues be deposited into a special fund to finance research and research facilities focused on detecting, preventing, treating, and curing cancer, heart disease, emphysema, and other tobacco-related diseases, and to finance prevention programs. Creates nine-member committee charged with administering the fund.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

Propositions that are on the November 2012 Statewide Ballot

Bond Measure

SBx7 2. (Chapter 3, 2009), Cogdill.

Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2010

CalChamber Position: Support

1487. (11-0010)

Prohibits Political Contributions by Payroll Deduction. Prohibitions on Contributions to Candidates. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 05/25/11 | Circulation Deadline: 10/24/11 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: Ashlee N. Titus (916) 442-7757

Restricts union political fundraising by prohibiting use of payroll-deducted funds for political purposes. Same use restriction would apply to payroll deductions, if any, by corporations or government contractors. Permits voluntary employee

contributions to employer or union committees if authorized yearly, in writing. Prohibits unions and corporations from contributing directly or indirectly to candidates and candidate-controlled committees. Other political expenditures remain unrestricted, including corporate expenditures from available resources not limited by payroll deduction prohibition. Limits government contractor contributions to elected officers or officer-controlled committees.

1495. (11-0013, Amdt. #1S) - Final Random Sample Update - 01/18/12

Changes Law to Allow Auto Insurance Companies to Set Prices Based on a Driver's History of Insurance Coverage. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 08/11/11 | Qualified: 01/18/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: Mike D'Arelli (916) 283-9473

Changes current law to permit insurance companies to set prices based on whether the driver previously carried auto insurance with any insurance company. Allows insurance companies to give proportional discounts to drivers with some prior insurance coverage. Will allow insurance companies to increase cost of insurance to drivers who have not maintained continuous coverage. Treats drivers with lapse as continuously covered if lapse is due to military service or loss of employment, or if lapse is less than 90 days.

1499. (11-0028) - Random Sample Update - 11/23/11

Redistricting. State Senate Districts. Referendum.

Summary Date: 08/26/11 | Random Sample Deadline: 01/10/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: Julie Vandermost c/o Charles H. Bell, Jr. (916) 442-7757

State Senate districts are revised every ten years following the federal census. This year, the voter-approved California Citizens Redistricting Commission revised the boundaries of the 40 Senate districts. This referendum petition, if signed by the required number of registered voters and filed with the Secretary of State, will: (1) Place the revised State Senate boundaries on the ballot and prevent them from taking effect unless approved by the voters at the next statewide election; and (2) Require court-appointed officials to set interim boundaries for use in the next statewide election. (11-0028) (Full Text)

1512. (11-0035) - Final Random Sample Update - 04/23/12

Death Penalty Repeal. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/20/11 | Qualified: 04/23/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: Jeanne Woodford c/o James C. Harrison (510) 346-6200

Repeals death penalty as maximum punishment for persons found guilty of murder and replaces it with life imprisonment without possibility of parole. Applies retroactively to persons already sentenced to death. Requires persons found guilty of murder to work while in prison, with their wages to be applied to any victim restitution fines or orders against them. Creates \$100 million fund to be distributed to law enforcement agencies to help solve more homicide and rape cases

1532. (11-0059) - AMENDED Summary

Human Trafficking. Penalties. Sex Offender Registration. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 12/23/11 | Circulation Deadline: 05/21/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: Daphne Phung c/o James C. Harrison and Kari Krogseng. (510) 346-6200

Increases criminal penalties for human trafficking, including prison sentences up to 15-years-to-life and fines up to \$1,500,000. Fines collected to be used for victim services and law enforcement. Requires person convicted of trafficking to register as sex offender. Requires sex offenders to provide information regarding Internet access and identities they use in online activities. Prohibits evidence that victim engaged in sexual conduct from being used against victim in court proceedings. Requires human trafficking training for police officers

Propositions that are on the November 2014 Statewide Ballot

ACA 4 was moved from the June 2012 Presidential Primary Election to the November 2014 General Election by SB 202 (Chapter 558, 2011) Hancock. Elections: ballot measures.

ACA 4. (Chapter 174, 2010), Gatto. State finance.

*State Budget. Changes California Budget Process. Limits State Spending. Increases "Rainy Day" Budget Stabilization Fund.

*Note: The ballot label and ballot title and summary language for ACA 4 are set forth in AB 1619. (Chapter 732, 2010), Committee on Budget. Elections.

Pending Raw Signature Verification

1570. (11-0099)

Genetically Engineered Foods. Mandatory Labeling. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/14/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/13/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: James Wheaton (510) 444-4710 x309

Requires labeling on raw or processed food offered for sale to consumers if made from plants or animals with genetic material changed in specified ways. Prohibits labeling or advertising such food as "natural." Exempts foods that are: certified organic; unintentionally produced with genetically engineered material; made from animals fed or injected with genetically engineered material but not genetically engineered themselves; processed with or containing only small amounts of genetically engineered ingredients; administered for treatment of medical conditions; sold for immediate consumption such as in a restaurant; or alcoholic beverages.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1530. (11-0057)

Three Strikes Law. Sentencing for Repeat Felony Offenders. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 12/15/11 | Circulation Deadline: 05/14/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: David Mills c/o Dan Newman (415) 981-9940

Revises three strikes law to impose life sentence only when new felony conviction is serious or violent. Authorizes re-sentencing for offenders currently serving life sentences if third strike conviction was not serious or violent and judge determines sentence does not pose unreasonable risk to public safety. Continues to impose life sentence penalty if third strike conviction was for certain non-serious, non-violent sex or drug offenses or involved firearm possession. Maintains life sentence penalty for felons with non-serious, non-violent third strike if prior convictions were for rape, murder, or child molestation.

Initiatives Pending at the Attorney General's Office as of May 11, 2012

Attorney General # <hr/> Approximate Due Date to Secretary of State	Subject	Proponent(s)
12-0010 – 05/10/12	"Stop the \$100 Billion Bullet Train to Nowhere Act"	Doug LaMalfa George Radanovich

12-0011, Amdt. #1S - 05/16/12	"College and University Funding and Accountability Act"	Jesse Lucas
12-0012 - 05/30/12	"Property Taxation"	Jo Shaffer
12-0013 – 6/11/12	“The Nuclear Waste Act of 2012”	Ben Davis, Jr.
12-0014 – 6/18/12	“Robin Hood Tax”	Robert T. Nast

Circulating

1582. (12-0008)

Reduces Pension Benefits for Public Employees. Initiative Constitutional and Statutory Amendment.
 Summary Date: 05/07/12 | Circulation Deadline: 10/04/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
 Proponent: Thomas W. Hiltachk (916) 442-7757

Requires all current and future public employees pay annually at least half projected costs of their pension plan’s defined benefit. Requires hybrid pension plans for new employees, composed of defined benefits, defined contribution, and Social Security. Requires hybrid plans be designed to pay 75% of final salary after full career, capped at federal Social Security base. Increases minimum retirement age for future law enforcement and firefighters to 52, for others 57. Requires 15 years service for new state employees to receive any retirement health benefits, and reduces employer contribution.

1581. (12-0006, Amdt. #1NS)

Tuition and Fees at University of California, California State University, and Community Colleges. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 04/09/12 | Circulation Deadline: 09/06/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Christopher J. Campbell (919) 338-8115

Prohibits increases in tuition or general fees for an undergraduate or graduate student of the University of California, the California State University or the California Community Colleges while such a student is enrolled, in good academic standing, and making satisfactory academic progress towards receiving a degree within the applicable timeframe specified by the official catalog of the student's campus.

1580. (12-0002)

Property Taxes. Expanded Exemption for Disabled Veterans. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 03/21/12 | Circulation Deadline: 08/20/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Rashid El Malik (310) 465-1376 rashidemail@cox.net

Allows the Legislature to provide full or partial property tax exemption for a home belonging to a disabled veteran or the veteran's spouse, including an unmarried surviving spouse, if the veteran is receiving special monthly military disability compensation because of injury or disease incurred in military service, is blind in both eyes, has lost the use of two or more limbs, has brain syndrome, or died while on active duty. Exemption may not be combined with other real property exemptions.

1579. (12-0005)

Medical Marijuana. Patient Associations. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 03/19/12 | Circulation Deadline: 08/16/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Rashid El Malik (310) 465-1376

Provides that patients qualified to use marijuana for medical purposes shall have the right to form an association for purposes of cultivating, processing and distributing medical marijuana within their association, and to recover reasonable costs incurred. Provides that neither the state nor any local government may prohibit operation of a medical marijuana patient association, including a storefront, unless a court finds it is an actual nuisance. Provides that medical marijuana patients have a property right to own and possess medical marijuana.

1578. (12-0009)

Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 03/16/12 | Circulation Deadline: 08/13/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Thomas A. Willis c/o Karen Getman (510) 346-6200

Increases personal income tax on annual earnings over \$250,000 for seven years. Increases sales and use tax by ¼ cent for four years. Allocates temporary tax revenues 89 percent to K-12 schools and 11 percent to community colleges. Bars use of funds for administrative costs, but provides local school governing boards discretion to decide, in open meetings and subject to annual audit, how funds are to be spent. Guarantees funding for public safety services realigned from state to local governments.

1577. (12-0007, Amdt. #1NS)

Government Spending Limits. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 03/16/12 | Circulation Deadline: 08/13/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Thomas W. Hiltachk (916) 442-7757

Resets state spending limit to fiscal year 2010-11 level. Requires state and local governments spend tax revenue exceeding limit to repay debt when debt is 5% or more of their spending limit. When state debt is less than 5% of state spending limit, splits excess revenue between schools and budget reserves or taxpayer refunds, depending on amount. When local government debt is less than 5% of applicable spending limit, returns excess revenue to taxpayers. Requires constitutional amendment to change terms. Forecloses Legislature's imposition, authorization, or submission to voters of tax increase absent two-thirds vote.

1576. (12-0004)

Prevents Issuance of Future High-Speed Rail Bonds. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 03/16/12 | Circulation Deadline: 08/13/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Doug LaMalfa, George Radanovich c/o Gilliard, Blanning & Associates, Inc.

Prevents the issuance and sale of the remaining amount of high-speed rail bonds previously approved by the voters to initiate construction of a high-speed train system. Allows the Legislature to redirect any unspent high-speed rail bond proceeds from high-speed rail purposes to repay those outstanding bonds.

1575. (12-0003)

Corporations. Eliminates State Constitutional Protections. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 03/15/12 | Circulation Deadline: 08/13/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Kyle L. Sison

Declares that corporations are not persons, thereby eliminating corporations' state constitutional protections. States that only human beings are valid and recognized people in California.

1574. (11-0100)

Tax for Education and Early Childhood Programs. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/17/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/16/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Molly Munger, Roberta B. Johansen, James C. Harrison c/o Remcho, Johansen & Purcell, LLP (510) 346-6200

Increases personal income tax rates for annual earnings over \$7,316 using sliding scale from .4% for lowest individual earners to 2.2% for individuals earning over \$2.5 million, ending after twelve years. During first four years, 60% of revenues go to K-12 schools, 30% to repaying state debt, and 10% to early childhood programs. Thereafter, allocates 85% of revenues to K-12 schools, 15% to early childhood programs. Provides K-12 funds on schoolspecific, per-pupil basis, subject to local control, audits, and public input. Prohibits state from directing or using new funds.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1573. (11-0093, Amdt. #1S)

Education. Repeals Non-Discrimination Requirements for School Instruction. Narrows Requirement that Students Study Role and Contributions of Various Groups. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/17/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/16/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Jack Hibbs, Rochelle L. Lara, John M. Song, Galina Bondar, Thomas Mui c/o Karen England (916) 591-8099

Repeals requirement that schools prohibit instructional materials that discriminate against persons based on their gender, religion, sexual orientation, disabilities, or other characteristics. Repeals requirements that school instructional materials recognize societal contributions of various groups to the economic, political, and social development of California and the United States. Prohibits exclusion of a historical figure from instructional materials solely on the basis that the historical figure is a member in, or possesses a characteristic associated with, a specified protected group.

1572. (11-0096, Amdt. #1S)

Tax on California Oil and Natural Gas. Revenues to Higher Education and General Fund. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/16/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/16/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: John L. Burton (916) 476-4989

Imposes 12.5 percent tax on value of oil and natural gas extracted in California. Allocates revenues one-third to higher education (half to California State University, half split between University of California and community colleges) and two-thirds to general fund. Provides new education funds shall augment, not count toward, existing education funding requirements. Dedicates 10 percent of new education funds to student grants. Requires California State University to use portion of funding for nursing programs. Prohibits passing tax on to consumers through higher fuel prices.

1571. (11-0098)

Marijuana. Regulation and Taxation of Medical Use Industry. Reduced Criminal Penalties. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/14/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/13/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Don Duncan, Ron Lind c/o George W.M. Mull (916) 456-0100

Establishes new government agency to regulate medical marijuana cultivation, manufacture, distribution, testing, and sale. Imposes agency fees, and 2.5% tax on medical marijuana retail sales. Allocates new revenues to agency administration, any remainder primarily to medical marijuana research and grants. Preempts local regulation of medical marijuana, except for zoning of medical marijuana dispensaries. Requires one dispensary per 50,000 residents unless limited or banned by local initiative. Bars state and local assistance to federal enforcement against medical marijuana. Reduces criminal penalties for marijuana possession, cultivation, transport, or sale.

1569. (11-0088)

Tax to Fund Education, Preschools, and Child Care. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/13/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/12/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Roberta B. Johansen, James C. Harrison, Molly Munger c/o Remcho, Johansen & Purcell, LLP (510) 346-6200

Increases personal income tax rates for annual earnings over \$7,316 with a sliding scale that increases the tax rate from .4% for lowest individual earners to 2.2% for individuals earning over \$2.5 million. Tax increase ends after twelve years. Allocates new revenues 85% to K-12 schools and 15% to preschools and child care. Provides K-12 funds on school-specific, per-pupil basis, subject to local control. Requires local education budgeting to be school-specific. Requires oversight, audits, and public input. Prohibits state from directing or using new funds.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1568. (11-0097)

Political Contributions and Expenditures by Corporations. Shareholder Approval. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/07/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/06/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Thomas A. Willis c/o James C. Harrison (510) 346-6200

Prohibits corporations and other business entities from making contributions or expenditures for political activities without shareholders' prior informed approval. Reduces the total amount of any contribution or expenditure approved by the percentage of shares not voted for approval. Defines political activities to include those related to candidates, ballot measures, issue advocacy, political parties, committees, voter registration, or any other political or legislative causes. Imposes criminal penalties for violations against persons spending, consenting to, or receiving prohibited contributions or expenditures. Requires detailed reporting to shareholders.

1567. (11-0092)

Government Spending Limits. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 02/07/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/06/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponents: Steven S. Lucas and Thomas W. Hiltachk, Attn: Steven S. Lucas (415) 389-6800

Resets state spending limit to fiscal year 2010-11 level. Requires state and local governments spend tax revenue exceeding limit to repay debt when debt is 5% or more of their spending limit. When state debt is less than 5% of state spending limit, splits excess revenue between schools and budget reserves or taxpayer refunds, depending on amount. When local government debt is less than 5% of applicable spending limit, returns excess revenue to taxpayers. Requires constitutional amendment to change terms. Forecloses Legislature's imposition, authorization, or submission to voters of tax increase absent two-thirds vote.

1566. (11-0095)

Part-Time Legislature. Two-Year State Budget. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 02/03/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/02/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponents: Shannon Grove, Ted Costa, c/o Mark Abernathy (661) 327-4141

Provides that Legislature shall convene regular sessions for a period of no more than 30 days starting each January and no more than 60 days starting each May, with up to five more days to reconsider bills vetoed by the Governor. Establishes two-year state budget cycle. Devotes regular sessions in odd-numbered years to state budget matters. Devotes regular sessions in even-numbered years to non-state budget matters. Limits special sessions to 15 days. Sets legislators' salary at \$1,500 per month and limits employment during and after their terms in office.

1565. (11-0091)

Tax to Benefit Public Schools, Social Services, Public Safety, and Road Maintenance. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/02/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/02/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Joshua Pechthalt

Adds 3 percent to personal income tax rate on annual earnings over \$1,000,000; adds 5 percent for earnings over \$2,000,000. Allocates new revenues as follows: 36 percent for K-12 schools, 24 percent for public colleges and universities, 25 percent for services to children and senior citizens, 10 percent for public safety, and 5 percent for road and bridge maintenance. Provides local governments discretion to decide, subject to financial audits, how to spend new funds, except funds cannot go toward capital outlay or certain administrative costs.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1564. (11-0089)

Undocumented Immigrants. State Income Taxes. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 02/02/12 | Circulation Deadline: 07/02/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Felipe Fuentes, John G. Cruz (323) 371-7305

Creates a five-year program to encourage undocumented workers to pay state income taxes. Directs Governor to request that federal authorities not spend resources to apprehend, detain, or deport participants, or to prosecute their employers. Defines eligible participants as those undocumented taxpayers who have filed California tax returns for the most recent year, have been California residents since January 1, 2008, consent to background checks, speak or are learning English, and are not felons, suspected terrorists, public charges, or public employees. Maintains confidentiality of information gathered from participants. Does not provide citizenship or amnesty.

1563. (11-0094)

Undocumented Immigrants. Requires State Law Enforcement Officers to Enforce Federal Immigration Law. Denies Driver's Licenses to Undocumented Immigrants. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/30/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/28/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Ted Hilton, Tirso Del Junco, and Bill Siler

Requires state and local law enforcement to comply with direction from federal immigration authorities for holding and transferring undocumented immigrants arrested by law enforcement officials. Requires commitment for law enforcement agencies to perform federal immigration functions. Denies driver's licenses to undocumented immigrants. Prohibits law enforcement from justifying arrests solely because an individual over fifteen was driving without a license.

1562. (11-0085)

Education. Repeals Non-Discrimination Requirements for School Instruction. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/26/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/25/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Richard Rios (714) 333-0303

Repeals requirement that schools prohibit instructional materials that reflect adversely on persons based on their sexual orientation and other characteristics. Repeals requirement that school instructional materials recognize societal contributions of various groups to the economic, political, and social development of California and the United States.

1561. (11-0083)

Education. Repeals Non-Discrimination Requirements for School Instruction. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/26/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/25/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Louis P. Sheldon c/o Paul Rolf Jensen (714) 662-5527

Repeals requirement that schools prohibit instructional materials that reflect adversely on persons based on their sexual orientation and other characteristics. Repeals requirement that school instructional materials recognize societal contributions of various groups to the economic, political, and social development of California and the United States.

1560. (11-0087)

Requires Assessment of Most Commercial Property Every Three Years. Provides Tax Reduction for Homeowners, Renters, and Businesses. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

Summary Date: 01/23/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/21/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Margaret R. Prinzing, Remcho, Johansen & Purcell, LLP Phone: (510) 346-6200

Changes existing law to require that commercial property be assessed at fair market value at least once every three years. Excludes residential and agricultural property. Increased revenue is subject to Proposition 98, governing education funding. Doubles homeowners' tax exemption and renters' credit. Excludes from taxation the first \$1 million in tangible personal property.

1559. (11-0086)

Tax to Pay Tuition and Fees at California Public Universities. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

Summary Date: 01/23/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/21/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponents: Suneal Kolluri suneal@gmail.com Richard Boettner richlizalex@sbcglobal.net Kara Duros karaac@gmail.com

Adds .7 percent to personal income tax rate applied to taxable income over \$250,000 (over \$342,465 if filing as head of household), and adds 1.7 percent to personal income tax rate applied to taxable income over \$500,000 (over \$684,930 if filing as head of household). Allocates new revenue to pay up to four years' tuition and fees for full-time undergraduate California residents attending University of California or California State University who maintain minimum 2.7 grade point average or perform 70 hours of annual community service.

1558. (11-0084)

Elimination of California High Speed Rail Authority. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/23/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/21/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Peter Seidel

Eliminates High Speed Rail Authority. Bars the State of California from paying for high speed rail unless the people pass a new constitutional amendment specifically altering this prohibition.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1555. (11-0078)

Voting Requirement. Polluter Fees. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/18/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/18/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Joseph Caves

Permits the Legislature to pass by majority vote, rather than two-thirds, laws imposing fees, penalties and charges on businesses whose activities pollute the air or water, damage public natural resources or harm public health. Requires the State spend the funds raised under the laws only on mitigation of actual or anticipated impacts, including enforcement costs and costs to reduce or prevent future impacts from the pollution or activity. Requires the amount of any fee, penalty or charge be reasonably related to the costs of mitigation.

1554. (12-0001)

Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/18/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/18/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Edmund G. Brown, Jr. c/o Thomas A. Willis (510) 346-6200

Increases personal income tax on annual earnings over \$250,000 for five years. Increases sales and use tax by 1/2 cent for four years. Allocates temporary tax revenues 89 percent to K-12 schools and 11 percent to community colleges. Bars use of funds for administrative costs, but provides local school governing boards discretion to decide, in open meetings and subject to annual audit, how funds are to be spent. Guarantees funding for public safety services realigned from state to local governments. problem by paying for other spending commitments. Limitation on the state's ability to make changes to the

1553. (11-0090)

Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/18/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/18/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Edmund G. Brown, Jr. c/o Thomas A. Willis (510) 346-6200

Increases personal income tax on annual earnings over \$250,000 for five years. Increases sales and use tax by 1/2 cent for four years. Allocates temporary tax revenues 89 percent to K-12 schools and 11 percent to community colleges. Bars use of funds for administrative costs, but provides local school governing boards discretion to decide, in open meetings and subject to annual audit, how funds are to be spent. Guarantees funding for public safety services realigned from state to local governments.

1552. (11-0074)

Education. Repeals Non-Discrimination Requirements for School Instruction. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/13/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/11/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Richard Rios (714) 333-0303

Repeals requirement that schools prohibit instructional materials that reflect adversely on persons based on their sexual orientation. Repeals requirement that school instructional materials recognize societal contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered individuals to the economic, political, and social development of California and the United States.

1551. (11-0075)

Education. Permits Parents to Excuse Children from Instruction in Social Sciences and Family Life. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/13/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/11/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Richard Rios (714) 333-0340

Allows a parent or guardian to request that a public school excuse their child from instruction in family life or social sciences when such instruction conflicts with the religious training and beliefs or personal moral convictions of the parent or guardian. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: Minor school district costs to accommodate students who request to be excluded from certain instruction. (11-0075) (Full Text)

1550. (11-0080)

Tax Treatment for Multistate Businesses. Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency Funding. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/12/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/11/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Joseph Caves

Requires multistate businesses to calculate their California income tax liability based on the percentage of their sales in California. Repeals existing law giving multistate businesses an option to choose a tax liability formula that provides favorable tax treatment for businesses with property and payroll outside California. Dedicates \$550 million annually for five years from anticipated increase in revenue for the purpose of funding projects that create energy efficiency and clean energy jobs in California.

1549. (11-0079)

Voting Requirement. Polluter Fees. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/12/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/11/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Joseph Caves

Permits the Legislature to pass by majority vote, rather than two-thirds, laws imposing fees, penalties and charges on activities that pollute the air or water, damage public natural resources or harm public health. Requires the State spend the funds raised under the laws only on mitigation of actual or anticipated impacts, including enforcement costs and costs to reduce or prevent

future impacts from the pollution or activity. Requires the amount of any fee, penalty or charge be reasonably related to the costs of mitigation.

1548. (11-0077)

Prohibits Abortions for Females Under 18 Without Parental Notification and Waiting Period. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/11/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/11/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Smith john.smith.jsjs@gmail.com

Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies her parent/legal guardian in writing. Provides exceptions for medical emergency, parental waiver, or parental abuse documented by notarized statement from law enforcement, protective services, or certain adult relatives. Permits judge to waive notice if minor appears personally in court and proves maturity or waiver is in her best interest. Requires physicians to report specific abortion information to Department of Public Health.

1547. (11-0076)

Prohibits Abortions for Females Under 18 Without Parental Notification. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/11/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/11/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Smith john.smith.jsjs@gmail.com

Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until physician notifies her parent/legal guardian in writing. Provides exceptions for medical emergency, parental waiver, or parental abuse documented by notarized statement from law enforcement, protective services, or certain adult relatives. Permits judge to waive notice if minor appears personally in court and proves maturity or waiver is in her best interest. Requires physicians to report specific abortion information to Department of Public Health. Physicians can be sued for violating these provisions up to 12 years after abortion.

1546. (11-0064, Amdt. #1S)

Reduces Pension Benefits for Public Employees. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/09/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/07/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Daniel Pellissier danielpellissier@californiapensionreform.com

Reduces pension benefits for current and future public employees, including teachers, nurses, and peace officers, but excluding judges. Eliminates constitutional protections for current and future public employees' vested pension benefits. Creates hybrid pension plan for new employees, capping collective benefits at 75 percent of salary. Limits cost-of-living adjustments for retired and current employees. Prohibits public retirement systems from providing death or disability benefits to future employees. Requires that current employees add up to three percent of their salary to their pension contribution annually, when pension plan is underfunded.

1545. (11-0063, Amdt. #1S)

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Proponent: Daniel Pellissier danielpellissier@californiapensionreform.com

Reduces pension benefits for current and future public employees, including teachers, nurses, and peace officers, but excluding judges. Eliminates constitutional protections for current and future public employees' vested pension benefits. Limits employer contributions toward pensions for new employees. Prohibits defined-benefit pensions for new employees. Limits cost-of-living adjustments for retired and current employees. Prohibits public retirement systems from providing death or disability benefits to future employees. Requires that current employees add up to three percent of their salary to their pension contribution per year, when pension plan is underfunded.

1544. (11-0073)

Marijuana Legalization. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/06/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/04/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Michael Jolson and Berton Duzy hemp2012@me.com

Decriminalizes marijuana and hemp use, possession, cultivation, transportation, or distribution. Provides persons arrested or serving time for non-violent marijuana offenses shall be immediately released from prison, jail, parole or probation, and arrest records and convictions for non-violent marijuana offenses shall be erased. Authorizes Legislature to adopt laws to license and tax commercial marijuana sales. Allows doctors to approve or recommend marijuana to patients, regardless of age. Limits testing for marijuana for employment or insurance purposes. Bars state from aiding enforcement of federal marijuana laws.

1543. (11-0071)

Genetically Engineered Foods. Mandatory Labeling. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/05/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/04/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: James Wheaton c/o Doug Linney (510) 444-4710 x309

Requires labeling on raw or processed food offered for sale to consumers if food or any of its ingredients contain or are made from plants or animals with genetic material that has been changed in specified ways. Exempts foods that are: certified organic; unintentionally produced with genetically engineered material; made from animals fed or injected with genetically engineered material but not genetically engineered themselves; processed with or containing only small amounts of genetically engineered ingredients; administered for treatment of medical conditions; sold for immediate consumption such as in a restaurant; or alcoholic beverages.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1542. (11-0072)

Approval of Healthcare Insurance Rate Changes. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/04/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/04/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Jamie Court

Requires health insurance rate changes to be approved by Insurance Commissioner before taking effect. Requires sworn statement by health insurer as to accuracy of information submitted to Insurance Commissioner to justify rate changes. Provides for public notice, disclosure and hearing on health insurance rate changes, and subsequent judicial review. Exempts employer large group health plans, unless requested or rate increase exceeds 10 percent. Prohibits health, auto and homeowners insurers from determining policy eligibility or rates based on lack of prior coverage or credit history.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1541. (11-0070)

Approval of Healthcare Insurance Rate Changes. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/03/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/01/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Jamie Court

Requires health insurance rate changes to be approved by Insurance Commissioner before taking effect. Requires sworn statement by health insurer as to accuracy of information submitted to Insurance Commissioner to justify rate changes. Provides for public notice, disclosure and hearing on health insurance rate changes, and subsequent judicial review. Does not apply to employer large group health plans. Prohibits health, auto and homeowners insurers from determining policy eligibility or rates based on lack of prior coverage or credit history.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1540. (11-0067)

Legislature Expansion. Legislative Process. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 01/03/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/01/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Cox (847) 274-8814

Increases size of Legislature almost 100-fold by dividing current Assembly and Senate districts into neighborhood districts such that each Assemblymember represents about 5,000 persons and each Senator represents about 10,000 persons. Provides for neighborhood district representatives to elect working committees the size of the current Assembly and Senate, 80 Assemblymembers and 40 Senators. Gives working committees the legislative power generally, and sole power to amend bills, but requires approval by appropriate vote of the full membership in each house for passage of any non-urgency bill. Reduces legislators' pay and expenditures.

1539. (11-0062)

Online K-12 Education. College Preparatory Courses. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/03/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/01/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: Phillip D. Kohn (714) 641-3415

Authorizes school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools to claim average daily attendance funding for student participation in approved online courses. Authorizes school districts to contract with public and private providers to deliver online courses taught by credentialed teachers. Allows students to take online courses offered by any school district, regardless of student's residence. Provides students access to courses required for admission to state universities, and establishes the California Diploma, which demonstrates completion of courses required for University of California and California State University admission.

1538. (11-0061)

State Funding to Local Governments. Criminal Justice. Social Services. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 12/30/11 | Circulation Deadline: 5/29/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
Proponent: Paul McIntosh c/o Nielsen, Merksamer, Parrinello, Gross & Leoni, LLP Attn: Cathy Christian (916) 446-6752

Guarantees local governments their existing statutory allocations of state sales tax and vehicle license fees, to fund government services that were shifted from state to local responsibility in 2011. Continues guarantee as long as local governments have responsibility for shifted services. Prohibits legislation that increases scope of services shifted, unless state provides adequate, ongoing funds to pay for increased costs. Caps state obligation for actual costs of shifted services at amounts of guaranteed allocations. Requires four-fifths vote in Legislature to reduce local law enforcement mandates predating shift.)

1537. (11-0068)

State Budget. State and Local Government. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

Summary Date: 12/29/11 | Circulation Deadline: 5/29/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
Proponents: Bruce McPherson and Sunne Wright McPeak c/o Robin B. Johansen and James C. Harrison (510) 346-6200

Establishes two-year state budget cycle. Prohibits Legislature from creating expenditures of more than \$25 million unless offsetting revenues or spending cuts are identified. Permits Governor to cut budget unilaterally during declared fiscal emergencies if Legislature fails to act. Requires performance reviews of all state programs. Requires performance goals in state and local budgets. Requires publication of all bills at least three days prior to legislative vote. Gives counties power to alter state statutes or regulations related to spending unless Legislature or state agency vetoes changes within 60 days.

1536. (11-0069)

Equal Male/Female Membership of Legislature. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 12/28/11 | Circulation Deadline: 5/29/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
Proponent: B.C. Keith

Requires that each Assembly district and each Senate district have two elected representatives, one male and one female, doubling the number of state legislators.

1535. (11-0066)

Elimination of Benefits for Part-Time Local Officials. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 12/27/11 | Circulation Deadline: 5/25/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
Proponent: Peter Fay c/o Thomas W. Hiltachk (916) 442-7757

Prohibits part-time elected or appointed officials of local governments or special districts from receiving pension, retirement, health insurance and other benefits. Limits compensation of part-time local officials to salary, stipend or per diem payment for attending public meetings. Requires a local entity's monetary payments to its part-time officials to be posted on the entity's and State Controller's websites. Prohibits any elected part-time local official from receiving monetary payment for service on any governmental body other than the one to which he or she was elected

1534. (11-0065)

Undocumented Immigrants. Requires State Law Enforcement Officers to Enforce Federal Immigration Law. Denies Driver's Licenses to Undocumented Immigrants. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 12/27/11 | Circulation Deadline: 5/25/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponents: Tirso Del Junco, Ted Hilton, and Bill Siler voter@taxpayerrevolution.org

Requires state and local law enforcement to comply with direction from federal immigration authorities for holding and transferring undocumented immigrants arrested by law enforcement officials. Requires commitment for law enforcement agencies to perform federal immigration functions. Denies driver's licenses to undocumented immigrants. Prohibits law enforcement from justifying arrests solely because an individual over age fifteen was driving without a license. Provides \$35,000,000 annually, for 20 years, to the California Department of Justice for fighting crimes related to transnational gangs.

1533. (11-0060)

Health Insurance. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 12/27/11 | Circulation Deadline: 5/25/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760
Proponent: John Metz (800) 878-7833

Requires interpretation of insurance policies according to plain meaning of words unless special definition included in policy. Prohibits insurers from reducing policy benefits without prior consent and refund. Requires insurers to provide written reasons for delay, limitation, or denial of benefits and certify determinations are not based on false or misleading information. Voids agreements rewarding providers for denial of covered services. Subjects violators to license suspension, disgorgement, damages, punitive damages, and publication of otherwise confidential business information involved in violation. Authorizes individual enforcement actions on behalf of State. Creates ownership interest in one's own health information.

1531. (11-0054)

Regulation of Corporations. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 12/20/11 | Circulation Deadline: 05/18/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
Proponent: Thomas Montague Hall (424) 652-4404

Substantially replaces current California law governing corporations, to allow maximum authority over corporations permitted by federal constitution. Declares corporations are not persons or citizens, thereby eliminating corporations' state constitutional protections. Holds officers and directors personally liable for a corporation's intentional acts or crimes. Allows corporations to discriminate to maximum extent permitted by federal constitution, if supported by quantifiable, scientific link to business purpose of corporation or specific decision being made. Strips corporation's non-profit status if more than 30 percent of gross income spent on administrative costs. Alters rules governing corporate income taxes and deductions. Fiscal impact: It is the opinion of the Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance that the measure may result in a substantial net change in state or local finances if adopted. (11-0054) (Full Text)

1529. (11-0058)

Reinstates Right of Same-Sex Couples to Marry. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 12/15/11 | Circulation Deadline: 05/14/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615
Proponent: Thomas B. Watson

Repeals the current provision in California's Constitution that states only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Provides that marriage is between only two persons and shall not be restricted on the basis of race,

color, national origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, or religion. Clarifies that the initiative shall not be interpreted to require any priest, minister, pastor, rabbi, or other person to perform a marriage in violation of his or her religious beliefs.

1528. (11-0056)

Concealed Firearms. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 12/14/11 | Circulation Deadline: 05/14/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: David John Clark davidjohnclark1@hotmail.com

Eliminates good cause and good moral character requirements for license to carry concealed firearms. Compels sheriffs and police chiefs to issue licenses to carry concealed firearms to any eligible applicant with no history of mental illness, substance abuse, or domestic violence, who is not currently under criminal investigation or indictment or currently subject of restraining order. Eliminates sheriffs' and police chiefs' option to require applicants complete up to 24 hours of firearms training, and prohibits them from imposing reasonable restrictions or conditions when issuing the firearms license.

1527. (11-0051)

State Bank. Tax on California Oil and Gas. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 12/07/11 | Circulation Deadline: 05/07/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Jeffrey L. Heaton

Establishes state bank, initially funded by \$200,000,000 General Fund loan. Imposes 15 percent minimum tax on value of oil and gas extracted in California, for state bank capital. Mandates deposit of certain state funds in state bank, and authorizes public and private entities and individuals to establish accounts. State guarantees deposits. Authorizes state bank to borrow money, invest funds, make loans to businesses, organizations, and local governments, and keep earnings. Authorizes state bank to refinance state debt and make zero-interest loans to General Fund to finance operating deficits.

Failed to Qualify:

1557. (11-0082)

Limits on Hospital Charges. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/19/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/18/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Fabunimi Sands, Tina McClain, c/o Lance Olson (916) 442-2952

Limits hospital charges to 125 percent of hospital's good faith reasonable estimate of actual cost of service or item provided. Requires hospitals to give refunds when total charges for the year exceed 125 percent of total patient care expenses. Adjusts charge limits as needed to account for hospital's losses from treating uninsured and low-income patients. Requires hospitals to provide new annual patient care expense and revenue reports. Exempts children's hospitals, public hospitals, certain hospitals operated by health care plan providers, and certain nonprofit hospitals considered part of safety-net health system. Authorizes penalties for non-compliance.

CalChamber Position: Oppose

1556. (11-0081)

Nonprofit Hospitals. Required Minimum Charity Care. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 01/19/12 | Circulation Deadline: 06/18/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Nisa L. Walker, Jimi Hardy, c/o Lance Olson (916) 442-2952

Requires nonprofit hospitals to provide free health care to needy patients in amount annually at least 5 percent of their net patient revenues. Exempts hospitals where minimum charity care would result in operating margin less than 1 percent, and hospitals that are part of certain large nonprofit health systems. Requires nonprofit hospitals to give Attorney General annual reports on charity care provided. Authorizes penalties for non compliance, including revocation of tax-exempt status and appointment of Attorney General representative to hospital's board of directors. Makes nonprofit director/officer liability protections inapplicable to enforcement actions.

1526. (11-0049)

Prohibits Abortions for Females Under 18 Without Parental Notification and Waiting Period. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 11/30/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/30/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Smith john.smith.jsjs@gmail.com

Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies her parent/legal guardian in writing. Provides exceptions for medical emergency, parental waiver, or parental abuse documented by notarized statement from law enforcement, protective services, or certain adult relatives. Permits judge to waive notice if minor appears personally in court and proves maturity or waiver is in her best interest. Requires physicians to report specific abortion information to Department of Public Health. Violating physicians subject to suit for 12 years.

1525. (11-0048)

Prohibits Abortions for Females Under 18 Without Parental Notification. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 11/30/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/30/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Smith john.smith.jsjs@gmail.com

Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until physician notifies her parent/legal guardian in writing. Provides exceptions for medical emergency, parental waiver, or parental abuse documented by notarized statement from law enforcement, protective services, or certain adult relatives. Permits judge to waive notice if minor appears personally in court and proves maturity or waiver is in her best interest. Requires physicians to report specific abortion information to Department of Public Health. Physicians can be sued for violating these provisions up to 12 years after abortion.

1524. (11-0046)

Marijuana Legalization. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 11/21/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/19/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Joe Rogoway, Frank H. Lucido, Pebbles Trippet, William Panzer, and Omar Figueroa (707) 520-4205

Decriminalizes marijuana use, possession, cultivation, transportation, distribution, or sale for adults aged 19 and older. Creates California Cannabis Commission to regulate commercial cultivation, processing, testing, transport, distribution, sale, facilities for on-premises consumption, and smoking in public, but authorizes local governments to permit conduct otherwise prohibited by state law and regulations. Exempts from regulation or taxation up to three pounds of marijuana for personal use. Retains laws prohibiting marijuana-related conduct that contributes to the delinquency of a minor and driving while impaired by marijuana.

1523. (11-0045)

Tax on Controlled Substances. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 11/21/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/19/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Robert Pack (925) 918-0843

For three years beginning January 1, 2013, imposes a tax of \$.0025 per pill upon drug manufacturers and importers that make initial sale of a Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance in California. Provides revenue to fund California Department of Justice's program to monitor prescription and dispensation of controlled substances, administration costs, outreach, education, and investigation of abuses. Requires any person that manufactures Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substances in California, or imports them into California, to register with the California Department of Justice for purposes of tax compliance.

1522. (11-0044)

Tax on California Oil and Natural Gas. Revenues to Education. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 11/21/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/19/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Peter Mathews and Paul R. Garver (562) 234-3319

Imposes 15 percent tax on value of oil and natural gas extracted in California to supplement education funding, for purposes of reducing class size, reducing tuition, restoring classes cut, providing instructional materials and hiring teachers and professors. Allocates tax revenues as follows: 11 percent to University of California; 14 percent to California State University; 38 percent to community colleges; 37 percent to K-12. Prohibits reduction of existing education-funding levels based on these additional tax revenues. Prohibits passing tax through to consumers by way of higher fuel prices.

1521. (11-0043)

Elimination of Environmental Protection Laws and Agencies. Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

Summary Date: 11/21/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/19/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Oscar Alejandro Braun

Repeals the California Environmental Quality Act, California Coastal Act, California Endangered Species Act, California Global Warming Solutions Act, and California Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act. Abolishes the California Environmental Protection Agency and Air Resources Board. Establishes new inalienable rights to produce, distribute, use, and consume air, carbon dioxide, water, food, habitat for humanity, universal heal thyself care, and energy generating natural resources. Grants Californians the individual right to nullify all federal powers not specifically delegated to the United States by the federal constitution. Fiscal Impact: It is the opinion of the Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance that the measure likely would result in a substantial net change in state or local finances if adopted. (11-0043) (Full Text)

1520. (11-0042)

Nuclear Power. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 11/18/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/16/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Ben Davis Jr. (916) 833-7894

Extends statutory preconditions, currently applicable to new operation of any nuclear powerplant, to existing Diablo Canyon and San Onofre operations. Before further electricity production at these plants, requires California Energy Commission to find federal government has approved technology for permanent disposal of high-level nuclear waste. For nuclear powerplants requiring reprocessing of fuel rods, requires Commission to find federal government has approved technology for nuclear fuel rod reprocessing plants. Both findings are subject to Legislature's rejection. Further requires Commission to find on case-by-case basis facilities will be available with adequate capacity to reprocess or store powerplant's fuel rods.

1519. (11-0041)

Constitutional Definition of a Person. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 11/17/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/16/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: Walter B. Hoye II (510) 225-4056

Defines "person" as including all living human beings from the beginning of their biological development as human organisms, for purposes of state constitutional protections of due process and equal protection. Eliminates state constitutional protections of due process and equal protection for non-biological entities, such as corporations.

1518. (11-0040)

Reduced Marijuana Penalties. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 11/07/11 | Circulation Deadline: 04/05/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Bill Zimmerman (310) 451-2522

Limits punishment to \$250 fine or community service for possession, cultivation, sale, or transportation of up to two ounces of marijuana; limits punishment to six months in county jail and/or \$500 fine if violator is less than 21. Retains existing penalties for marijuana offenses on school grounds and for offenses involving sale to a minor, employment of minor in criminal marijuana enterprise, or driving under influence of marijuana. Makes property forfeiture laws inapplicable to marijuana offenses involving two ounces or less. Retains laws regarding marijuana in the workplace, driving under influence, and medical marijuana.

1516. (11-0039)

Marijuana Legalization. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/27/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/26/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: James P. Gray, William McPike, Stephen Collett, and Steve Kubby (415) 830-6070

Decriminalizes marijuana sales, distribution, possession, use, cultivation, and transportation. Dismisses pending court actions inconsistent with its provisions. Retains laws forbidding use while driving or in workplace. Establishes regulation of commercial marijuana trade to match regulation of wine and beer. Allows noncommercial production up to 24 flowering plants per household, or more with local approval. Authorizes retail sales of marijuana with THC level of .3% or more to persons 21 or older; if less, no age limit. Directs state and local officials to not cooperate with federal enforcement of marijuana laws. Bans development of genetically modified marijuana.

1515. (11-0038)

Prohibits Abortions for Females Under 18 Without Parental Notification and Waiting Period. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 10/25/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/23/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Smith john.smith.jsjs@gmail.com

Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until 48 hours after physician notifies her parent/legal guardian in writing. Provides exceptions for medical emergency, parental waiver, or parental abuse documented by notarized statement from law enforcement, protective services, or certain adult relatives. Permits judge to waive notice if minor appears personally in court and proves maturity or waiver is in her best interest. Requires physicians to report specific abortion information to Department of Public Health. Violating physicians subject to suit for 12 years.

1514. (11-0037)

Prohibits Abortions for Females Under 18 Without Parental Notification. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

Summary Date: 10/25/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/23/12 | Signatures Required: 807,615

Proponent: John Smith john.smith.jsjs@gmail.com

Changes California Constitution to prohibit abortion for unemancipated minor until physician notifies her parent/legal guardian in writing. Provides exceptions for medical emergency, parental waiver, or parental abuse documented by notarized statement from law enforcement, protective services, or certain adult relatives. Permits judge to waive notice if minor appears personally in court and proves maturity or waiver is in her best interest. Requires physicians to report specific abortion information to Department of Public Health. Physicians can be sued for violating these provisions up to 12 years after abortion.

1513. (11-0033, Amdt. #1S)

Tax on California Oil and Natural Gas. Revenues to Education. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/21/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/19/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Philip D. Sales II savecaliforniaseducation@gmail.com

Imposes 10 percent tax on value of oil and natural gas extracted in California to supplement funding for education. Allocates 10 percent of tax revenues to grants for college and vocational students, and remainder to classroom education funding as follows: 10 percent to University of California; 20 percent to California State University; 20 percent to community colleges; and 40 percent to K-12. Prohibits reduction of existing education-funding levels based on these additional tax revenues. Prohibits passing tax through to consumers by way of higher fuel prices.

1509. (11-0032)

State and Local Government Officials. Retirement Benefits. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/10/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/08/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Larry Click

Limits retirement benefits for candidates for office, government officials, and government advisors, to the benefits provided to workers at lowest benefit level in same agency. Limits basis for calculation of such retirement benefits to years of service with government agency in which last served. Applies retroactively to any retirement benefits government officials set for

themselves, unless enacted by majority popular vote. Imposes penalties for actions contrary to its terms, including forfeitures and ineligibility for public office.

1508. (11-0031)

State and Local Government Officials. Personal Liability. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/10/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/08/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Larry Click

Requires candidates for office, government officials, and government advisors to use personal funds to pay any damages and their own legal expenses arising from claims of unscrupulous behavior. Defines unscrupulous behavior to include negligence, ethics violations, direction to subordinates that is contrary to or expands beyond existing law, breach of contract, and unfulfilled campaign promises. Imposes penalties for unscrupulous behavior, or for improper use of public funds to defend against claims of unscrupulous behavior, including imprisonment, fines, forfeiture, punitive damages, nullification of unscrupulous acts, and ineligibility for public office.

1507. (11-0030)

Gifts to State and Local Government Officials. Disqualification. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/10/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/08/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Larry Click

Prohibits candidates for office, government officials, judges, arbitrators, and government advisors from voting on, deciding, or influencing any matter of government business that would disproportionately benefit themselves or any individual or entity that has given them an excessive contribution. Defines excessive contribution as any amount exceeding a 40-hour week's pay at federal minimum wage. Creates new state agencies to monitor compliance and impose penalties, including vote nullification, forfeiture of contributions, salary, and retirement and other benefits, and ineligibility for public office, and to distribute seized assets among registered voters.

1506. (11-0029)

State and Local Legislation and Policies. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 10/10/11 | Circulation Deadline: 03/08/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponent: Larry Click

Prohibits candidates for office, government officials, and government advisors from giving themselves exemptions from legislation they pass or policy decisions they make, and from giving themselves special benefits by legislation or policy decision. Applies retroactively to all legislation not enacted by majority popular vote. Creates new state agency to monitor proposed laws and policies for compliance and to enforce penalties, including imprisonment, fines, forfeiture, and ineligibility for public office.

1505. (11-0027)

State and Local Government Purchasing. Made in United States. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 09/29/11 | Circulation Deadline: 02/27/12 | Signatures Required: 504,760

Proponents: Jim Gonzalez, Bill Zimmerman, and John Thiella c/o Jim Gonzalez (916) 449-6190

Amends existing state law, previously held unconstitutional, that required state and local governments to use only products made in the United States. Eliminates exceptions for materials that are not generally produced in the United States, for medical and scientific equipment, for sewing machines, for printing presses, and for office machines and supplies. Creates new limited exceptions for some foreign materials, including where restriction prohibited by federal law, for spare parts for existing equipment, and for literature, artwork, and historical artifacts.

1504. (11-0026)

Reduces Pension Benefits for Public Employees. Creates a New State Retirement System for Private Sector Employees. Initiative Statute.

Summary Date: 09/13/11 | Failed: 02/27/12

Proponents: Edward J. (Ted) Costa, Robert J. Matteoli (916) 482-6175

Reduces pension benefits for current and future public employees, including teachers, nurses, and peace officers. For two years, and beyond if system pension obligations are underfunded, changes the minimum retirement age and further reduces annual pension amount received. Restricts the availability of defined contribution plans including 401(k) plans for public employees. Creates a new state retirement system for private sector employees. Requires audits of pension systems. Caps base pay for new employees and employees in underfunded systems.