

Vote Progressive Nov. 8

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COURAGE ★ CAMPAIGN			X		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	X	X	✓
Asian Americans Advancing Justice-CA					✓		✓	✓	✓								
American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)					✓		✓	✓				✓		✓		X	
Bend the Arc: A Jewish Partnership for Justice	✓		X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X		✓	✓	✓	X	X	✓
California League of Conservation Voters			X		✓				✓					✓			✓
California Calls	✓		X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			X	X	✓
California Democratic Party	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X		✓	✓	✓		X	✓
California Labor Federation	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓				X	✓
Common Cause			X	✓					✓								
Equality California		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		X		✓	✓	✓		X	
Mobilize the Immigrant Vote (MIV)					✓	✓	✓	✓								X	
Our Revolution								✓	✓		✓	✓		✓		X	✓
Planned Parenthood		✓			✓	✓											
Sierra Club						✓		✓	✓								✓

PROP
51

\$9 billion bond to fix and upgrade CA school facilities

NEUTRAL

There is currently a backlog of almost \$2 billion dollars in K-12 project applications. Prop 51 would help ensure that our schools can meet basic health and safety standards by allocating \$9 billion in bonds for both construction and modernization projects to repair our schools' deteriorating facilities. Critics assert that the bond is too favorable to developers and the construction industry.

PROP
52

Make Hospital Fee Permanent to Pay for Healthcare Services

NEUTRAL

CA hospitals currently pay a Medi-Cal fee -- which is matched by the federal government -- to help pay for healthcare services for low-income children. The fee is set to expire in 2017. Prop 52 would make that fee permanent and require voter approval for any further changes to the program. Critics contend that this should be done through the legislative process to ensure future budget flexibility.

PROP
53

Stop Right-Wing Millionaire from Blocking Infrastructure Projects

OPPOSE

Prop 53 is a right-wing millionaire's attempt to hijack local control, infrastructure, and emergency funds by requiring a statewide vote on projects that exceed \$2 billion. There are also no exemptions for natural disasters. This means residents, impacted by a natural disaster (i.e. earthquakes, wildfires), may have to wait up to over two years for funding to rebuild damaged infrastructure.

PROP
54

72-Hour Publication of Bills Prior to Vote

NEUTRAL

Prop 54 requires bills to be published and available to the public at least 72 hours before legislators vote on them, increasing transparency but limiting flexibility. It also allows anyone -- including corporate industries like Big Oil and Big Pharma -- to use audiovisual recordings of most legislative proceedings in political advertisements. This will give rise to new form of political attack ads.

PROP
55

Extend the Tax on the Wealthy to Fund Education and Healthcare

SUPPORT

In 2012, California voters passed a critical initiative (Prop 30) to tax the wealthy to help pay for education. The initiative is now set to expire. Prop 55 would simply extend the tax on the wealthy for another twelve years. If passed, Prop 55 would raise up to \$11 billion for schools, community colleges, and healthcare programs.

PROP
56

\$2 Tobacco Tax to fund Healthcare, Research, and Prevention

SUPPORT

Prop 56 would increase the tax on cigarettes by \$2 per pack with an equivalent increase on other tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes. The funds raised would be used to provide health care for low-income Californians, triple existing funding for California's tobacco control program, invest in research of cancer and other tobacco-related diseases, and support the enforcement of tobacco laws. Big Tobacco has spent more than \$200 million over the past decade to defeat tobacco taxes in CA.

PROP
57

Reform CA's broken Parole and Juvenile Trial System

SUPPORT

Prop 57 would help fix CA's broken criminal justice system and overcrowding in prisons -- which largely discriminates against low-income people of color -- by allowing people charged with nonviolent felonies, who served their primary offense's full term, to be considered for early parole. It would prevent prosecutors from trying children (14 years and younger) as adults. Instead, the child would have a hearing first with a juvenile court judge.

PROP
58

Repeal the Ban on Bilingual Education

SUPPORT

Prop 58 would repeal and change parts of the English in Public Schools Act (Prop 227) passed by voters in 1998 to allow non-English languages to be used in public education instruction. California is the most diverse state in the nation, with 40% of Californians speaking languages other than English at home. Encouraging our youth to speak multiple languages not only supports our state's growing diversity, it is advantageous in our increasingly interconnected global economy.

PROP
59

Overturn Citizens United Act

SUPPORT

Prop 59 would instruct California's representatives in Congress to do everything in their power to overturn Citizens United. If passed, Prop 59 will send a powerful message to Washington, help lead the movement to overturn Citizens United, and put democracy back into the hands of the people.

PROP 60 **Mandatory condom use in adult films**

NEUTRAL

Prop 60 would require adult film performers to wear condoms and use taxpayer dollars to appoint Michael Weinstein, the author of the ballot initiative, as a state employee. His job would be to monitor all adult film production in CA. The initiative may also make public the identities and addresses of adult performers, who often use screen names for privacy reasons.

PROP 61 **Requires CA to Pay Less for Pharmaceutical Drugs**

SUPPORT

In the last two decades, prescription drug spending increased by over 500%. Prop 61 would dramatically reduce drug prices for some Californians by requiring the state to pay the same (or a lower) price for pharmaceutical drugs as the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, which pays the lowest drug prices of any government agency.

PROP 62 **Repeal the Death Penalty**

SUPPORT

Prop 62 would replace the death penalty with life in prison without parole and ensure that an innocent life is not taken by a flawed system of justice. It would save the state \$150 million annually, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office.

PROP 63 **Safety for All Initiative to Reduce Gun Violence**

SUPPORT

Every year more than 32,000 Americans lose their lives to gun violence. Proposition 63 would continue to help save lives by keeping firearms and ammunition out of the hands of dangerous people, while protecting law-abiding Californians. Prop 63 will remove illegal guns from our communities, require any business that sells ammunition to report if it is lost or stolen, require people to notify law enforcement if their guns are lost or stolen, prohibit people convicted of gun theft from owning guns, and strengthen our background check systems, along with other provisions to increase gun safety.

PROP 64 **Legalizes Marijuana for Recreational Use**

SUPPORT

Prop 64 would legalize marijuana in California for anyone over 21. The initiative would hold marijuana to similar standards as tobacco and alcohol products to meet basic packaging, labeling, and advertising requirements to protect consumer safety, youth, the environment, and communities of color.

PROP 65 **Fake Environmental Fee to Support Plastic Bags**

OPPOSE

Prop 65 would require a fee to support an "environmental" fund that would be used to help overturn CA's ban on plastic bags. It is largely seen as the plastics manufacturing industry's excuse to reintroduce wasteful plastic bags by encouraging the state to use the "environmental fund" to recycle plastic bags. Californians only recycle 3% of plastic bags, leaving the rest to go to landfills.

PROP 66 **Speed Up the Death Penalty**

OPPOSE

Prop 66 would speed up the death penalty, increase the state's chance of executing an innocent person, and require that inmates' wages go to victims. If passed, the initiative would cost taxpayer tens of MILLIONS of dollars annually.

PROP 67 **Referendum to Uphold Ban on Single-Use Plastic Bags**

SUPPORT

If passed, Prop 67 would finally implement the 2014 law banning single-use grocery bags and defeat the plastic bag industry's attempt to block the law. Plastic bags pollute waterways, harm wildlife, and litter our environment.

