November Ballot Measures

Nine measures have qualified for the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot. Four measures were placed on the ballot by the Legislature, and five qualified through the initiative process.

In a loss for California taxpayers, the Taxpayer Protection Act is missing from the November ballot, even though it qualified. According to the Howard Jarvis Taxpayer Association (HJTA), Governor Gavin Newsom, the Democrat-controlled Legislature, and the California Supreme Court colluded to crush this popular tax reform, ignoring the voice of 1.4 million voters who signed the petition to qualify the measure. Learn more at HJTA.org More information on removed ballot measures on Page 2.

On the California Ballot in November:

Proposition 2 - Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024 - CAGOP No Position (Legislature extended the deadline and placed this bond on the ballot in late June)

General obligation bond act that would provide \$10,000,000,000 to construct and modernize education facilities, including \$8,500,000,000 for elementary and secondary educational facilities and \$1,500,000,000 for community college facilities.

Proposition 3 - Marriage Equality - CAGOP Position: Neutral

Repeals current language in the constitution (deemed unenforceable due to overturning of Prop. 8) and instead provides that the right to marry is a fundamental right.

Proposition 4 - Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024 -

CAGOP No Position (Legislature extended the deadline and placed this bond on the ballot in late June) Authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 to finance projects for safe drinking water, drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands, park creation and outdoor access, and clean air programs.

Proposition 5 - Voter Approval of Local Taxes - CAGOP Position: Oppose

Allows a city, county, or special district, with 55% voter approval, to incur bonded indebtedness or impose specified special taxes to fund projects for affordable housing, permanent supportive housing, or public infrastructure, as specified.

Proposition 6 - Involuntary Servitude - CAGOP No Position

Prohibits the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from disciplining any incarcerated person for refusing a work assignment.

Proposition 32 - Minimum Wage Increase - CAGOP Position: Oppose

Extends annual increases (\$1.00 per year) until minimum wage—currently, \$15.00 per hour for businesses with 26 or more employees, and \$14.00 per hour for smaller businesses—reaches \$18.00 per hour. Thereafter, as existing law requires, the minimum wage will annually adjust for inflation.

Proposition 33 - Rent Control - CAGOP Position: Oppose

Repeals the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act to prohibit the State from limiting the right of cities and counties to maintain, enact, or expand residential rent-control ordinances.

Proposition 34 - Health Care Reforms - CAGOP Position: Support

Requires certain health care providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Permanently authorizes state to negotiate Medi-Cal drug prices on statewide basis.

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Proposition 35 - Funding for Medi-Cal Health Care Services - CAGOP Position: Support

Makes permanent the existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, currently set to expire in 2026, which the State uses to pay for health care services for low-income families with children, seniors, people with disabilities, and other groups covered by the Medi-Cal program.

Proposition 36 - Homelessness, Drug Addiction & Theft Reduction Act - CAGOP Position: Support

Reforms Proposition 47 imposing felony charges for possessing certain drugs, including fentanyl, and for thefts under \$950—both currently chargeable only as misdemeanors—with two prior drug or two prior theft convictions, as applicable. Defendants who plead guilty to felony drug possession and complete treatment can have charges dismissed. Increases sentences for other specified drug and theft crimes.

Ballot Arguments:

The deadline to submit ballot arguments is July 9 by 5:00 p.m. The deadline to submit rebuttals to the ballot arguments is July 18 by 5:00 p.m. (email <u>VIGarguments@sos.ca.gov</u>). Arguments selected for the Official Voter Information Guide will be on public display between July 23 and August 12 on the Secretary of State's website.

For more information on ballot measures visit: https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-measures

To learn about local ballot measures in your county, find your County Elections website at: https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/voting-resources/county-elections-offices

Below are the measures that were removed/withdrawn from the November ballot:

- ACA 13: Voter Approval Thresholds (pushed to 2026)
- SCA 2: Article 34 Repeal (withdrawn by author)
- Taxpayer Protection Act (removed by CA Supreme Court)
- Pandemic Response Income Tax Increase (withdrawn by proponents)
- PAGA Reform (withdrawn by proponents)
- Personal Finance Education (withdrawn by proponents)
- Expanded Healthcare for Children (withdrawn by proponents)
- Oil & Gas Well Ban Referendum (withdrawn by proponents)

For a complete list of endorsed candidates and ballot measures, visit https://cagop.org/cagop-endorsements-2024/