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July 17, 2007

TO: ALL COUNTY CLERKS/REGISTRARS OF VOTERS/PROPONENT
(07095)

FROM:


KATHERINE MONTGOMERY
Elections Analyst

SUBJECT: **INITIATIVE #1255**

Pursuant to Elections Code section 336, we transmit herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed initiative measure entitled:

**LIMIT ON MARRIAGE.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

The proponents of the above-named measure are:

Dennis Hollingsworth
Gail J. Knight
Hak-Shing William Tam
Peter Henderson
Mark A. Jansson
c/o Andrew Pugno
P.O. Box 1993
Fair Oaks, CA 95628

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#1255

**LIMIT ON MARRIAGE.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

CIRCULATING AND FILING SCHEDULE

1. Minimum number of signatures required: 694,354
California Constitution, Article II, Section 8(b)
2. Official Summary Date: Tuesday, 07/17/07
3. Petitions Sections:
 - a. First day Proponent can circulate Sections for
signatures (Elec. Code § 336) Tuesday, 07/17/07
 - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and file with the county.
All sections are to be filed at the same time within each
county. (Elec. Codes §§ 336, 9030(a)) Friday, 12/14/07
 - c. Last day for county to determine total number of
signatures affixed to petitions and to transmit total
to the Secretary of State (Elec. Code § 9030(b))..... Thursday, 12/27/07

(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to
12/14/07, the county has eight working days from the filing of the petition
to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to
transmit the total to the Secretary of State) (Elec. Code § 9030(b)).
 - d. Secretary of State determines whether the total number
of signatures filed with all county clerks/registrars of
voters meets the minimum number of required signatures
and notifies the counties Saturday, 01/05/08*
 - e. Last day for county to determine total number of qualified
voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate
with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State
(Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e)) Wednesday, 02/20/08

*Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

INITIATIVE #1255
Circulating and Filing Schedule continued:

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who signed the petition on a date other than 01/05/08, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification). (Elec. Code § 9030(d)(e)).

- f. If the signature count is more than 763,790 or less than 659,637 then the Secretary of State certifies the petition as qualified or failed, and notifies the counties. If the signature count is between 659,637 and 763,790 inclusive, then the Secretary of State notifies the counties using the random sampling technique to determine the validity of **all** signatures (Elec. Code §§ 9030(f)(g), 9031(a)) Saturday, 03/01/08*

- g. Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State. (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c)). Monday, 04/14/08

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who have signed the petition on a date other than 03/01/08, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification.) (Elec. Code § 9031(b)(c).)

- h. Secretary of State certifies whether the petition has been signed by the number of qualified voters required to declare the petition sufficient (Elec. Code §§ 9031(d), 9033) Friday, 04/18/08*

*Date varies based on the date of county receipt.

IMPORTANT POINTS

- California law prohibits the use of signatures, names and addresses gathered on initiative petitions for any purpose other than to qualify the initiative measure for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fundraising or requests for support. Any such misuses constitutes a crime under California law. Elections Code section 18650; *Bilofsky v. Deukmejian* (1981) 124 Cal.App.3d 825, 177 Cal.Rptr. 621; 63 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 37 (1980).
- Please refer to Elections Code sections 100, 101, 104, 9001, 9008, 9009, 9021, and 9022 for appropriate format and type consideration in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Please send a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file.
- Your attention is directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the **Political Reform Act of 1974**, Government Code section 81000 et seq.
- When writing or calling state or county elections officials, provide the official title of the initiative which was prepared by the Attorney General. Use of this title will assist elections officials in referencing the proper file.
- When a petition is presented to the county elections official for filing by someone other than the proponent, the required authorization shall include the name or names of the persons filing the petition.
- When filing the petition with the county elections official, please provide a blank petition for elections official use.

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Attorney General

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



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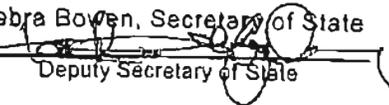
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In the office of the Secretary of State
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Debra Bowen, Secretary of State
By 
Deputy Secretary of State

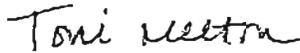
RE: Title and Summary for Initiative No. 07-0023
TITLE: LIMIT ON MARRIAGE. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Dear Ms. Bowen:

Pursuant to the provisions in sections 336 and 9004 of the Elections Code, enclosed please find a copy of the Title and Summary issued for Initiative Number 07-0023 and text of the proposed measure.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



TONI MELTON
Initiative Secretary

For EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Attorney General

Enclosures

Proponents' public information:

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Date: July 17, 2007
Initiative No. 07-0023

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

LIMIT ON MARRIAGE. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Amends the California Constitution to provide that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. Further amends the California Constitution to state that the amendment shall not affect the rights, benefits and obligations conferred by California law on other domestic relationships. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: The measure would have no fiscal effect on state or local governments. This is because there would be no change to the manner in which marriages are currently recognized by the state. (Initiative 07-0023.)

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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

May 25, 2007

Initiative Coordinator
Office of the California Attorney General
1300 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814**Re: Request for Title and Summary of Proposed Initiative**

Dear Initiative Coordinator:

I am one of the proponents of the proposed initiative constitutional amendment filed herewith. We request that the Attorney General prepare a title and summary of the chief purpose and points of this proposed measure. Enclosed please find the text of the proposed measure, my residence address at which I am registered to vote, and the filing fee of \$200.

Please forward any inquiries you may have regarding this measure to Andrew Pugno, P.O. Box 1993, Fair Oaks, CA 95628, (916) 608-3065.

Sincerely,

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DENNIS HOLLINGSWORTH

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HAK-SHING WILLIAM TAM

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MARK A. JANSSON

SECTION 1. Title

This measure shall be known and may be cited as the "California Marriage Protection Act."

SECTION 2. Article I, Section 7.5 is added to the California Constitution, to read:

Sec. 7.5. Only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. This provision shall not affect the rights, benefits and obligations conferred by California law on other domestic relationships.