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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #21193

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Kirsten Larsen  
Election Services Manager

RE: Ballot Design Advisory Committee: December 9, 2021, Meeting

Attached is the notice and agenda for the next Ballot Design Advisory Committee (BDAC) meeting to be held on Thursday, December 9, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. via videoconference.

County elections officials and members of the public are welcome to attend by calling in to the conference number listed on the agenda.

Please feel free to contact Reina Miller with any questions at (916) 695-1557 or [rmiller@sos.ca.gov](mailto:rmiller@sos.ca.gov).

Thank you.



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### **Public Meeting Notice and Agenda**

Ballot Design Advisory Committee  
(BDAC)

Due to the ongoing concerns related to COVID-19, and permissible by Government Code section 11133, there will not be a public meeting location for this meeting. This meeting will be available to the public via videoconference.

Date and time: Thursday, December 9, 2021, 3:00 p.m.

Conference call number: +1-404-443-6396

Conference Code: 3922221

Videoconference Link: <https://sos-ca-gov.zoom.us/j/84624025904?pwd=ektaY0NsL0tkdkZoYThvZWZCbnpXZz09>

Videoconference Password: t?Z4%Gzs

# **Agenda**

Ballot Design Advisory Committee  
(BDAC)

Thursday, December 9, 2021, 3:00 p.m.

1. Welcome, Call to Order, Roll Call, and Declaration of Quorum
2. Senate Bill 90
3. Assembly Bill 1416
4. Public Comments and Future Agenda Items

Public comment period and opportunity to suggest future agenda items

5. Adjournment

## Important Notices to the Public:

- This meeting is open to the public and is accessible to the physically disabled.
- In accordance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, reasonable accommodations are available. Providing accommodation requests at least five (5) business days before the meeting will help to ensure availability of the requested accommodation.
- Any person who needs a disability-related accommodation or modification in order to participate in the meeting, or any person wanting to subscribe to future meeting notices and agendas, may make a request by contacting Reina Miller at (916) 695-1557, by emailing [BDAC@sos.ca.gov](mailto:BDAC@sos.ca.gov) or [RMiller@sos.ca.gov](mailto:RMiller@sos.ca.gov), or by sending a written request to Reina Miller, 1500 11th Street, 5th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814.
- Discussion and action may be taken on any item on the agenda. The time and order of agenda items are subject to change at the discretion of the committee and may be taken out of order.
- Persons interested in addressing the committee on any agenda item will be given an opportunity to speak. The committee may limit the time for each individual speaker.
- The committee may not discuss or take action on any matter raised that is not included on this agenda, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code sections 11125, 11125.7(a).)

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 19, 2021

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 12, 2021

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 90**

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**Introduced by Senator Stern**

*(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Santiago)*

*(Coauthors: Senators Dodd and Umberg)*

December 16, 2020

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An act to amend Sections 303, 9050, 9051, 9053, and 13282 of, and to add Section 9170 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 90, as amended, Stern. Elections: ballot label.

Existing law defines the ballot label as the portion of the ballot containing the names of the candidates or a statement of a measure. For statewide measures, existing law requires the Attorney General to prepare a condensed version of the ballot title and summary, including the fiscal impact summary prepared by the Legislative Analyst that is printed in the state voter information guide.

This bill would additionally require the ballot label for statewide measures, and, at the option of a county, the ballot label or similar description on the ballot of county, city, district, and school district measures, to include a listing of nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the signers of ballot arguments printed in the voter information guide that support and oppose the measure or from the signers of the rebuttal arguments to the arguments that support and oppose the measure, as specified. The bill would require a nonprofit organization, business, or individual to meet certain criteria before being listed on the ballot label or similar description of the measure on the ballot. The bill would require the signers of the ballot arguments to

submit the lists of supporters and opponents to the Secretary of State or the respective elections official and would require the Secretary of State or respective elections official to provide those lists to county elections officials as part of the ballot label. The bill would make conforming changes and related findings and declarations.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

Because the bill would impose additional duties on local elections officials, and because it would expand the crime of perjury, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

With regard to any other mandates, this bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs so mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited as, the  
2 Ballot DISCLOSE Act.

3 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

4 (a) In addition to a ballot measure's title, summary, and fiscal  
5 analysis, the identity of those who support and oppose a ballot  
6 measure provides voters with extremely important information  
7 that helps voters better evaluate and understand the value of the  
8 measure and to make more informed decisions on how to vote.

9 (b) Including the names of the signers of arguments for and  
10 against a measure on the measure's ballot label serves as a useful  
11 condensed summary of those arguments in the state voter  
12 information guide in the same way that including the condensed  
13 title, summary, and fiscal analysis of the ballot measure serves as  
14 a useful condensed summary of the Legislative Analyst's full  
15 analysis in the state voter information guide.

1 SEC. 3. Section 303 of the Elections Code is amended to read:  
2 303. “Ballot label” means that portion of the ballot containing  
3 the names of the candidates or a statement of a measure. For  
4 statewide measures, the ballot label shall contain a condensed  
5 version of the ballot title and summary, including the fiscal impact  
6 summary prepared pursuant to Section 9087 of this code and  
7 Section 88003 of the Government Code, that is no more than 75  
8 words, followed by a listing of the names of the signers of the  
9 ballot arguments printed in the state voter information guide in  
10 support of and opposed to the measure as described in Section  
11 9051.

12 SEC. 4. Section 9050 of the Elections Code is amended to read:  
13 9050. (a) After the Secretary of State determines that a  
14 measure will appear on the ballot at the next statewide election,  
15 the Secretary of State shall promptly transmit a copy of the measure  
16 to the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall provide and  
17 return to the Secretary of State a ballot title and summary and a  
18 condensed ballot title and summary for each measure submitted  
19 to the voters of the whole state by a date sufficient to meet the  
20 state voter information guide public display deadlines.

21 (b) Within one week after receiving the lists of supporters and  
22 opponents of a measure, the Secretary of State shall provide to  
23 county elections officials the ballot label, consisting of the  
24 condensed ballot title and summary followed by the list of  
25 supporters and opponents for each state ballot measure as described  
26 in Section 9051.

27 SEC. 5. Section 9051 of the Elections Code is amended to read:  
28 9051. (a) (1) The ballot title and summary may differ from  
29 the legislative, circulating, or other title and summary of the  
30 measure and shall not exceed 100 words, not including the fiscal  
31 impact statement.

32 (2) The ballot title and summary shall include a summary of the  
33 Legislative Analyst’s estimate of the net state and local government  
34 fiscal impact prepared pursuant to Section 9087 of this code and  
35 Section 88003 of the Government Code.

36 (b) The condensed ballot title and summary shall not contain  
37 more than 75 words and shall be a condensed version of the ballot  
38 title and summary including the financial impact summary prepared  
39 pursuant to Section 9087 of this code and Section 88003 of the  
40 Government Code.

1 (c) (1) The ballot label shall include the condensed ballot title  
2 and summary described in subdivision (b), followed by the  
3 following:

4 (A) After the text “Supporters:”, a listing of nonprofit  
5 organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the signers of  
6 the argument in favor of the ballot measure or from the signers of  
7 the rebuttal to the argument against the ballot measure printed in  
8 the state voter information guide. The list of supporters shall not  
9 exceed 125 characters in length. Each supporter shall be separated  
10 by a semicolon. A nonprofit organization or business shall not be  
11 listed unless it supports the ballot measure.

12 (B) After the text “Opponents:”, a listing of nonprofit  
13 organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the signers of  
14 the argument against the ballot measure or from the signers of the  
15 rebuttal to the argument in favor of the ballot measure printed in  
16 the state voter information guide. The list of opponents shall not  
17 exceed 125 characters in length. Each opponent shall be separated  
18 by a semicolon. A nonprofit organization or business shall not be  
19 listed unless it opposes the ballot measure.

20 (C) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to subparagraph (A)  
21 or (B) unless it is one of the following:

22 (i) A nonprofit organization that was not originally created as  
23 a committee described in Section 82013 of the Government Code,  
24 that has been in existence for at least two years, and that, during  
25 the two-year period prior to the time that the organization is listed  
26 pursuant to subparagraph (A) or (B), either has received  
27 contributions from more than 500 donors or has had at least one  
28 full-time employee.

29 (ii) A business that has been in existence for at least two years  
30 and that has had at least one full-time employee during the two-year  
31 period prior to the time that the organization is listed pursuant to  
32 subparagraph (A) or (B).

33 (iii) A current or former elected official, who may be listed with  
34 the official’s title (e.g., “State Senator Mary Smith”, “Assembly  
35 Member Carlos Garcia,” or “former Eureka City Council Member  
36 Amy Lee”). These titles may be shortened (e.g. “Senator” or “Sen.”  
37 for “State Senator” or “Asm.” for “Assembly Member”).

38 (iv) An individual who is not a current or former elected official  
39 may be listed only with the individual’s first and last name and an  
40 honorific (e.g., “Dr.”, “Md”, “PhD”, or “Esquire”), with no other

1 title or designation, unless it is a title representing a nonprofit  
2 organization or business that meets the requirements of paragraphs  
3 (i) or (ii) and that is eligible to be listed under subparagraph (A)  
4 if the individual supports the ballot measure or under subparagraph  
5 (B) if the individual opposes the ballot measure.

6 (D) Spaces, commas, semicolons and any other characters count  
7 towards the 125-character limit in subparagraphs (A) and (B).

8 (E) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to subparagraph (A) or  
9 (B) if the signer is a political party or is representing a political  
10 party.

11 (F) The name of a nonprofit organization or business included  
12 in the list of supporters and opponents as required by this  
13 subdivision may be shortened using acronyms, abbreviations, or  
14 by leaving out words in their name, as long as doing so would not  
15 confuse voters with another well-known organization or business  
16 that did not take the same position on the ballot measure (e.g.,  
17 “Hot Air Balloon Flyers of Montana Education Fund” may be  
18 shortened to “Hot Air Balloons Montana”).

19 (G) Supporters and opponents listed on the ballot label pursuant  
20 to subparagraph (A) or (B) shall be added as text after the  
21 condensed ballot title and summary and shall be separated by  
22 semicolons. Supporters and opponents need not be displayed on  
23 separate horizontal lines on the ballot. If no list of supporters is  
24 provided by the proponents or there are none that meet the  
25 requirements of this section, then “Supporters” shall be followed  
26 by “None submitted”. If no list of opponents is provided by the  
27 opponents or there are none that meet the requirements of this  
28 section, then “Opponents” shall be followed by “None submitted.”

29 (H) Notwithstanding subparagraph (G), if a ballot lists ballot  
30 labels for state ballot measures in more than one language on the  
31 same page, the ballot may separate the lists of supporters and  
32 opponents described by this section and list them each once in a  
33 separate paragraph below the rest of the ballot labels that are  
34 printed in the different languages. In that case, the word  
35 “Supporters:” shall be listed once using the translation provided  
36 by the Secretary of State as required by Section 9054 for each  
37 language that appears on the ballot ahead of the list of supporters  
38 required in subparagraph (A), and the word “Opponents:” shall be  
39 listed once using the translation provided by the Secretary of State  
40 as required by Section 9054 for each language that appears on the

1 ballot ahead of the list of opponents required in subparagraph (B).  
2 Each supporter or opponent listed shall be listed once if the  
3 translation provided by the Secretary of State as required by Section  
4 9054 for that supporter or opponent is the same, or separated by  
5 a “/” if the translation for the supporter or opponent is different.  
6 If some words in the translation of a supporter or opponent name  
7 are different and some are the same, the translation may list the  
8 translation for only the words that are different. (E.g. for a dual  
9 English / Spanish ballot, “Assembly Member Jane Smith” may be  
10 listed as “Assembly Member Jane Smith / Miembro de la Asamblea  
11 Jane Smith” or as “Assembly Member / Miembro de la Asamblea  
12 Jane Smith”.)

13 (I) If the ballot emphasizes the text “Supporters:” or  
14 “Opponents:” by use of boldface font, underlining, or any other  
15 method that differentiates that text from the list of supporters or  
16 opponents that follow, the text “Supporters:” or “Opponents:” may  
17 be displayed with only the initial letter capitalized. If that text is  
18 not emphasized, then each letter of that text shall be capitalized.

19 (J) If including the list of Supporters and Opponents in the ballot  
20 labels as required by this section would necessitate the printing of  
21 an extra ballot card compared to the ballot labels not including  
22 them, the type size of the part of all of the ballot labels starting  
23 with “Supporters” may be reduced by the minimal amount needed  
24 to stop them from necessitating an extra ballot card, as long as the  
25 type size is no smaller than 8-point and as long as the type size is  
26 reduced by the same amount for all ballot measures.

27 (2) (A) The proponents of the measure shall provide the list of  
28 supporters described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) to the  
29 Secretary of State when submitting the arguments supporting the  
30 ballot measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument opposing  
31 the measure. For every supporter listed that is a nonprofit  
32 organization, a business, or an individual whose title includes a  
33 nonprofit organization or business, the supporters shall include a  
34 signed statement by a representative of the nonprofit organization  
35 or business, under penalty of perjury, that includes its name and  
36 business address and that attests (1) that the nonprofit organization  
37 or business supports the measure, (2) that the nonprofit organization  
38 or business has been in existence for at least two years, (3) that  
39 the nonprofit organization or business has had at least one full-time  
40 employee for the last two years, or, if it is a nonprofit organization,

1 that it has had at least 500 donors in the last two years, and (4) that  
2 it was not originally created as a committee described in Section  
3 82013 of the Government Code.

4 (B) The opponents of the measure shall provide the list of  
5 opponents described in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) to the  
6 Secretary of State when submitting the arguments opposing the  
7 ballot measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument supporting  
8 the measure. For every opponent listed that is a nonprofit  
9 organization, a business, or an individual whose title includes a  
10 nonprofit organization or business, the supporters shall include a  
11 signed statement by a representative of the nonprofit organization  
12 or business, under penalty of perjury, that includes its name and  
13 business address and that attests (1) that the nonprofit organization  
14 or business opposes the measure, (2) that the nonprofit organization  
15 or business has been in existence for at least two years, (3) that  
16 the nonprofit organization or business has had at least one full-time  
17 employee for the last two years, or, if it is a nonprofit organization,  
18 that it has had at least 500 donors in the last two years, and (4) that  
19 it was not originally created as a committee described in Section  
20 82013 of the Government Code.

21 (C) In order to enable the Secretary of State to determine  
22 whether the nonprofit organizations and businesses listed in the  
23 supporters or opponents have been in existence for at least two  
24 years, the proponents and opponents shall submit with the list of  
25 supporters and opponents described in subparagraphs (A) and (B)  
26 a certified copy of the articles of incorporation, articles of  
27 organization, or similar document for each nonprofit organization  
28 or business on the list that verifies that the nonprofit organization  
29 or business has been in existence for at least two years.

30 (D) The Secretary of State shall confirm that a submission listing  
31 supporters or opponents includes the documentation required by  
32 subparagraphs (A) through (C) and otherwise meets the  
33 requirements of this section. The Secretary of State shall ask the  
34 proponents or opponents to resubmit a list if the requirements are  
35 not met. The Secretary of State may establish deadlines by when  
36 proponents or opponents must resubmit a list.

37 (d) In providing the ballot title and summary, the Attorney  
38 General shall give a true and impartial statement of the purpose  
39 of the measure in such language that the ballot title and summary

1 shall neither be an argument, nor be likely to create prejudice, for  
2 or against the proposed measure.

3 (e) The Attorney General shall invite and consider public  
4 comment in preparing each ballot title and summary.

5 SEC. 6. Section 9053 of the Elections Code is amended to read:  
6 9053. Each measure shall be designated on the ballot by the  
7 ballot label certified by the Secretary of State.

8 SEC. 7. Section 9170 is added to the Elections Code, to read:  
9 9170. (a) Subject to subdivision (d), the ballot label or similar  
10 description of a county, city, district, or school measure on a county  
11 ballot shall end with all of the following:

12 (1) After the text “Supporters:”, a listing of associations,  
13 nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the  
14 signers of the argument in favor of the measure or from the signers  
15 of the rebuttal to the argument against the measure printed in the  
16 voter information guide. The list of supporters shall not exceed  
17 125 characters in length. Each supporter shall be separated by a  
18 semicolon. An association, nonprofit organization, or business  
19 shall not be listed unless it supports the county measure.

20 (2) After the text “Opponents:”, a listing of associations,  
21 nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the  
22 signers of the argument against the measure or from the signers  
23 of the rebuttal to the argument in favor of the measure printed in  
24 the voter information guide. The list of opponents shall not exceed  
25 125 characters in length. Each opponent shall be separated by a  
26 semicolon. An association, nonprofit organization, or business  
27 shall not be listed unless it opposes the county measure.

28 (3) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2)  
29 unless it is one of the following:

30 (A) An association, nonprofit organization, or business that was  
31 not originally created as a committee described in Section 82013  
32 of the Government Code and that has been in existence for at least  
33 two years.

34 (B) A current or former elected official, who may be listed with  
35 the official’s title (e.g., “State Senator Mary Smith”, “Assembly  
36 Member Carlos Garcia,” or “former Eureka City Council Member  
37 Amy Lee”). These titles may be shortened (e.g. “Senator” or “Sen.”  
38 for “State Senator” or “Asm.” for “Assembly Member”).

39 (C) An individual who is not a current or former elected official  
40 may be listed only with the individual’s first and last name and an

1 honorific (e.g., “Dr.”, “Md”, “PhD”, or “Esquire”), with no other  
2 title or designation, unless it is a title representing an association,  
3 nonprofit organization, or business that meets the requirements of  
4 subparagraphs (A) or (B) and that is eligible to be listed under  
5 paragraph (1) if the individual supports the county measure or  
6 under paragraph (2) if the individual opposes the county measure.

7 (4) Spaces, commas, semicolons, and other characters count  
8 towards the 125-character limit in paragraphs (1) and (2).

9 (5) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2)  
10 if the signer is a political party or is representing a political party.

11 (6) The name of an association, nonprofit organization, or  
12 business included in the list of supporters and opponents as required  
13 by this section may be shortened using acronyms, abbreviations,  
14 or by leaving out words in their name, as long as doing so would  
15 not confuse voters with another well-known organization or  
16 business that did not take the same position on the ballot measure  
17 (e.g., “Hot Air Balloon Flyers of Montana Education Fund” may  
18 be shortened to “Hot Air Balloons Montana”).

19 (7) Supporters and opponents listed pursuant to paragraph (1)  
20 or (2) shall be added as text after the condensed ballot title and  
21 summary, if any, and may be separated by semicolons. Supporters  
22 and opponents need not be displayed on separate horizontal lines  
23 on the ballot. If no list of supporters is provided by the proponents  
24 or there are none that meet the requirements of this section, then  
25 “Supporters” shall be followed by “None submitted”. If no list of  
26 opponents is provided by the opponents or there are none that meet  
27 the requirements of this section, then “Opponents” shall be  
28 followed by “None submitted.”

29 (8) Notwithstanding paragraph (7), if a ballot lists ballot labels  
30 for measures in more than one language on the same page, the  
31 ballot may separate the lists of supporters and opponents described  
32 by this section and list them each once in a separate paragraph  
33 below the rest of the ballot labels that are printed in the different  
34 languages. In that case, the word “Supporters:” shall be listed once  
35 using the translation for each language that appears on the ballot  
36 ahead of the list of supporters required in paragraph (1), and the  
37 word “Opponents:” shall be listed once using the translation for  
38 each language that appears on the ballot ahead of the list of  
39 opponents required in paragraph (2). Each supporter or opponent  
40 listed shall be listed once if the translation for that supporter or

1 opponent is the same, or separated by a “/” if the translation for  
2 the supporter or opponent is different. If some words in the  
3 translation of a supporter or opponent name are different and some  
4 are the same, the translation may list the translation for only the  
5 words that are different. (E.g. For a dual English / Spanish ballot,  
6 “Assembly Member Jane Smith” may be listed as “Assembly  
7 Member Jane Smith / Miembro de la Asamblea Jane Smith” or as  
8 “Assembly Member / Miembro de la Asamblea Jane Smith”.)

9 (9) If the ballot emphasizes the text “Supporters:” or  
10 “Opponents:” by use of boldface font, underlining, or any other  
11 method that differentiates that text from the list of supporters or  
12 opponents that follow, the text “Supporters:” or “Opponents:” may  
13 be displayed with only the initial letter capitalized. If that text is  
14 not emphasized, then each letter of that text shall be capitalized.

15 (10) If including the list of Supporters and Opponents in the  
16 ballot labels as required by this section would necessitate the  
17 printing of an extra ballot card compared to the ballot labels not  
18 including them, the type size of the part of all of the ballot labels  
19 starting with “Supporters” may be reduced by the minimal amount  
20 needed to stop them from necessitating an extra ballot card, as  
21 long as the type size is no smaller than 8-point and as long as the  
22 type size is reduced by the same amount for all ballot measures.

23 (b) (1) The proponents of the measure shall provide the list of  
24 supporters described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) to the  
25 elections official when submitting arguments supporting the  
26 measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument opposing the  
27 measure. For every supporter listed that is an association, a  
28 nonprofit organization, a business, or an individual whose title  
29 includes an association, nonprofit ~~organization~~ *organization*, or  
30 business, the supporters shall include a signed statement by a  
31 representative of the association, nonprofit ~~organization~~  
32 *organization*, or business, under penalty of perjury, that includes  
33 its name and an address and that attests (1) that the association,  
34 nonprofit organization, or business supports the measure, (2) that  
35 the association, nonprofit organization or business has been in  
36 existence for at least two years, and (3) that it was not originally  
37 created as a committee described in Section 82013 of the  
38 Government Code.

39 (2) The opponents of the measure shall provide the list of  
40 opponents described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) to the

1 elections official when submitting the arguments opposing the  
2 measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument supporting the  
3 measure. For every opponent listed that is an association, a  
4 nonprofit organization, a business, or an individual whose title  
5 includes an association, nonprofit organization or business, the  
6 opponents shall include a signed statement by a representative of  
7 the association, nonprofit organization or business, under penalty  
8 of perjury, that includes its name and an address and that attests  
9 (1) that the association, nonprofit organization, or business opposes  
10 the measure, (2) that the association, nonprofit organization or  
11 business has been in existence for at least two years, and (3) that  
12 it was not originally created as a committee described in Section  
13 82013 of the Government Code.

14 (3) The elections official that receives the ballot arguments and  
15 list of supporters or opponents shall confirm that a submission  
16 listing supporters or opponents includes the documentation required  
17 by paragraphs (1) and (2) and otherwise meets the requirements  
18 of this section. The elections official shall ask the proponents or  
19 opponents to resubmit a list if the requirements are not met. The  
20 elections official may establish deadlines by when proponents or  
21 opponents must resubmit a list.

22 (c) An elections official that is not a county elections official  
23 that administers a city, district, or school election and that receives  
24 a list of supporters or opponents for inclusion on the ballot label  
25 or similar description shall, after confirming compliance with this  
26 section as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b), forward  
27 that list to the county elections official.

28 (d) At least 30 days before the deadline for submitting arguments  
29 for or against county measures, a county may elect not to list  
30 supporters and opponents for county, city, district and school  
31 measures on the county ballot. A county shall not include a list of  
32 supporters or opponents for any county, city, district, or school  
33 measure if the county does not include a list of supporters or  
34 opponents for all measures for which the county receives a list that  
35 meets the requirements of this section. If the county elects not to  
36 list supporters and opponents for county, city, district, or school  
37 measures on the county ballot, the requirements of subdivisions  
38 (a) through (c) do not apply.

39 SEC. 8. Section 13282 of the Elections Code is amended to  
40 read:

1 13282. Whenever the Attorney General prepares a condensed  
2 ballot title and summary, the Attorney General shall file a copy of  
3 the condensed ballot title and summary with the Secretary of State.  
4 The Secretary of State shall make a copy of the ballot label that  
5 includes the condensed ballot title and summary and the supporters  
6 and opponents as required by subdivision (c) of Section 9051  
7 available for public examination prior to the printing of the ballot  
8 label on any ballot. The public shall be permitted to examine the  
9 ballot label for at least 20 days, and the Secretary of State may  
10 consolidate the examination requirement under this section with  
11 the public examination requirements set forth in Section 9092. A  
12 voter may seek a writ of mandate requiring a ballot label, or portion  
13 thereof, to be amended or deleted. The provisions set forth in  
14 Section 9092 concerning the issuance of the writ and the nature  
15 of the proceedings shall be applicable to this section.

16 SEC. 9. The Legislature finds and declares that providing voters  
17 with information to better understand and evaluate ballot measures  
18 is a matter of statewide concern and is not a municipal affair as  
19 that term is used in Section 5 of Article XI of the California  
20 Constitution. Therefore, Section 7 of this act adding Section 9170  
21 to the Elections Code applies to all cities, including charter cities.

22 SEC. 10. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
23 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution for certain  
24 costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district  
25 because, in that regard, this act creates a new crime or infraction,  
26 eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime  
27 or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the  
28 Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the  
29 meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California  
30 Constitution.

31 However, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that  
32 this act contains other costs mandated by the state, reimbursement  
33 to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made  
34 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division  
35 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 22, 2021

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2021–22 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1416**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Santiago** *Members Santiago, Chiu, and Lorena Gonzalez*

(Principal coauthor: ~~Senator Stern~~) *coauthors: Senators Allen, Stern, and Umberg*

*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Friedman, Kalra, Lee, and Muratsuchi)*

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February 19, 2021

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An act to amend Sections 303, 9050, 9051, 9053, and 13282 ~~of of,~~ and to add Section 9170 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1416, as amended, Santiago. Elections: ballot label.

Existing law defines the ballot label as the portion of the ballot containing the names of the candidates or a statement of a measure. For statewide measures, existing law requires the Attorney General to prepare a condensed version of the ballot title and summary, including the fiscal impact summary prepared by the Legislative Analyst that is printed in the state voter information guide.

This bill would additionally require the ballot label for statewide ~~measures~~ *measures, and, at the option of a county, the ballot label or similar description on the ballot of county, city, district, and school district measures,* to include a listing of *nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the signers of ballot arguments*

printed in the ~~state~~ voter information guide that support and oppose the measure or *from the signers of the rebuttal arguments to the arguments that support and oppose the measure, as specified. The bill would require a nonprofit organization, business, or individual to meet certain criteria before being listed on the ballot label or similar description of the measure on the ballot.* The bill would require the signers of the ballot arguments to submit the lists of supporters and opponents to the Secretary of State *or the respective elections official* and would require the Secretary of State *or respective elections official* to provide those lists to county elections officials as part of the ballot label. The bill would make conforming changes and related findings and declarations.

*The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.*

*Because the bill would impose additional duties on local elections officials, and because it would expend the crime of perjury, it would impose a state-mandated local program.*

*The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.*

*This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.*

*With regard to any other mandates, this bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs so mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
 State-mandated local program: ~~no~~-yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited as, the
- 2 Ballot DISCLOSE Act.
- 3 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
- 4 (a) In addition to a ballot measure’s title, summary, and fiscal
- 5 analysis, the identity of those who support and oppose a ballot
- 6 measure provides voters with extremely important information
- 7 that helps voters better evaluate and understand the value of the
- 8 measure and to make more informed decisions on how to vote.

1 (b) Including the names of the signers of arguments for and  
2 against a measure on the measure’s ballot label serves as a useful  
3 condensed summary of those arguments in the state voter  
4 information guide in the same way that including the condensed  
5 title, summary, and fiscal analysis of the ballot measure serves as  
6 a useful condensed summary of the Legislative Analyst’s full  
7 analysis in the state voter information guide.

8 SEC. 3. Section 303 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

9 303. “Ballot label” means that portion of the ballot containing  
10 the names of the candidates or a statement of a measure. For  
11 statewide measures, the ballot label shall contain a condensed  
12 version of the ballot title and summary, including the fiscal impact  
13 summary prepared pursuant to Section 9087 of this code and  
14 Section 88003 of the Government Code, that is no more than 75  
15 words, followed by a listing of the names of the signers of the  
16 ballot arguments printed in the state voter information guide in  
17 support of and opposed to the ~~measure~~; *measure as described in*  
18 *Section 9051.*

19 SEC. 4. Section 9050 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

20 9050. (a) After the Secretary of State determines that a measure  
21 will appear on the ballot at the next statewide election, the  
22 Secretary of State shall promptly transmit a copy of the measure  
23 to the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall provide and  
24 return to the Secretary of State a ballot title and summary and a  
25 condensed ballot title and summary for each measure submitted  
26 to the voters of the whole state by a date sufficient to meet the  
27 state voter information guide public display deadlines.

28 (b) Within one week after receiving the lists of supporters and  
29 opponents of a measure, the Secretary of State shall provide to  
30 county elections officials the ballot label, consisting of the  
31 condensed ballot title and summary followed by the list of  
32 supporters and opponents for each state ballot measure as described  
33 in Section 9051.

34 SEC. 5. Section 9051 of the Elections Code is amended to read:

35 9051. (a) (1) The ballot title and summary may differ from  
36 the legislative, circulating, or other title and summary of the  
37 measure and shall not exceed 100 words, not including the fiscal  
38 impact statement.

39 (2) The ballot title and summary shall include a summary of the  
40 Legislative Analyst’s estimate of the net state and local government

1 fiscal impact prepared pursuant to Section 9087 of this code and  
2 Section 88003 of the Government Code.

3 (b) The condensed ballot title and summary shall not contain  
4 more than 75 words and shall be a condensed version of the ballot  
5 title and summary including the financial impact summary prepared  
6 pursuant to Section 9087 of this code and Section 88003 of the  
7 Government Code.

8 (c) (1) The ballot label shall include the condensed ballot title  
9 and summary described in subdivision (b), followed by the  
10 following:

11 (A) ~~Under the heading "After the text "Supporters:", a listing of~~  
12 ~~the names of nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals~~  
13 ~~taken from the signers of the ballot argument in favor of the ballot~~  
14 ~~measure or from the signers of the rebuttal to the argument against~~  
15 ~~the ballot measure printed in the state voter information guide~~  
16 ~~supporting the measure. guide. The list of supporters shall include~~  
17 ~~only the names, titles, or the organizations of the signers of the~~  
18 ~~ballot argument supporting the measure or the rebuttal arguments~~  
19 ~~to the argument opposing the measure and shall not exceed 15~~  
20 ~~words. 125 characters in length. Each supporter shall be separated~~  
21 ~~by a semicolon. A nonprofit organization or business shall not be~~  
22 ~~listed unless it supports the ballot measure.~~

23 (B) ~~Under the heading "After the text "Opponents:", a listing of~~  
24 ~~the names of nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals~~  
25 ~~take from the signers of the ballot argument against the ballot~~  
26 ~~measure or from the signers of the rebuttal to the argument in~~  
27 ~~favor of the ballot measure printed in the state voter information~~  
28 ~~guide opposing the measure. guide. The list of opponents shall~~  
29 ~~include only the names, titles, or the organizations of the signers~~  
30 ~~of the ballot argument opposing the measure or the rebuttal~~  
31 ~~arguments to the argument supporting the measure and shall not~~  
32 ~~exceed 15 words. 125 characters in length. Each opponent shall~~  
33 ~~be separated by a semicolon. A nonprofit organization or business~~  
34 ~~shall not be listed unless it opposes the ballot measure.~~

35 (C) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to subparagraph (A)  
36 or (B) unless it is one of the following:

37 (i) A nonprofit organization that was not originally created as  
38 a committee described in Section 82013 of the Government Code,  
39 that has been in existence for at least two years, and that, during  
40 the two-year period prior to the time that the organization is listed

1 pursuant to subparagraph (A) or (B), either has received  
2 contributions from more than 500 donors or has had at least one  
3 full-time employee.

4 (ii) A business that has been in existence for at least two years  
5 and that has had at least one full-time employee during the  
6 two-year period prior to the time that the organization is listed  
7 pursuant to subparagraph (A) or (B).

8 (iii) A current or former elected official, who may be listed with  
9 the official's title (e.g., "State Senator Mary Smith", "Assembly  
10 Member Carlos Garcia," or "former Eureka City Council Member  
11 Amy Lee"). These titles may be shortened (e.g. "Senator" or  
12 "Sen." for "State Senator" or "Asm." for "Assembly Member").

13 (iv) An individual who is not a current or former elected official  
14 may be listed only with the individual's first and last name and an  
15 honorific (e.g., "Dr.", "Md", "PhD", or "Esquire"), with no  
16 other title or designation, unless it is a title representing a nonprofit  
17 organization or business that meets the requirements of paragraphs  
18 (i) or (ii) and that is eligible to be listed under subparagraph (A)  
19 if the individual supports the ballot measure or under  
20 subparagraph (B) if the individual opposes the ballot measure.

21 (D) Spaces, commas, semicolons and any other characters count  
22 towards the 125-character limit in subparagraphs (A) and (B).

23 (E) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to subparagraph (A)  
24 or (B) if the signer is a political party or is representing a political  
25 party.

26 (F) The name of a nonprofit organization or business included  
27 in the list of supporters and opponents as required by this  
28 subdivision may be shortened using acronyms, abbreviations, or  
29 by leaving out words in their name, as long as doing so would not  
30 confuse voters with another well-known organization or business  
31 that did not take the same position on the ballot measure (e.g.,  
32 "Hot Air Balloon Flyers of Montana Education Fund" may be  
33 shortened to "Hot Air Balloons Montana").

34 (G) Supporters and opponents listed on the ballot label pursuant  
35 to subparagraph (A) or (B) shall be added as text after the  
36 condensed ballot title and summary and shall be separated by  
37 semicolons. Supporters and opponents need not be displayed on  
38 separate horizontal lines on the ballot. If no list of supporters is  
39 provided by the proponents or there are none that meet the  
40 requirements of this section, then "Supporters" shall be followed

1 by “None submitted”. If no list of opponents is provided by the  
2 opponents or there are none that meet the requirements of this  
3 section, then “Opponents” shall be followed by “None submitted.”  
4 (H) Notwithstanding subparagraph (G), if a ballot lists ballot  
5 labels for state ballot measures in more than one language on the  
6 same page, the ballot may separate the lists of supporters and  
7 opponents described by this section and list them each once in a  
8 separate paragraph below the rest of the ballot labels that are  
9 printed in the different languages. In that case, the word  
10 “Supporters:” shall be listed once using the translation provided  
11 by the Secretary of State as required by Section 9054 for each  
12 language that appears on the ballot ahead of the list of supporters  
13 required in subparagraph (A), and the word “Opponents:” shall  
14 be listed once using the translation provided by the Secretary of  
15 State as required by Section 9054 for each language that appears  
16 on the ballot ahead of the list of opponents required in  
17 subparagraph (B). Each supporter or opponent listed shall be  
18 listed once if the translation provided by the Secretary of State as  
19 required by Section 9054 for that supporter or opponent is the  
20 same, or separated by a “/” if the translation for the supporter or  
21 opponent is different. If some words in the translation of a  
22 supporter or opponent name are different and some are the same,  
23 the translation may list the translation for only the words that are  
24 different. (E.g. for a dual English / Spanish ballot, “Assembly  
25 Member Jane Smith” may be listed as “Assembly Member Jane  
26 Smith / Miembro de la Asamblea Jane Smith” or as “Assembly  
27 Member / Miembro de la Asamblea Jane Smith”.)  
28 (I) If the ballot emphasizes the text “Supporters:” or  
29 “Opponents:” by use of boldface font, underlining, or any other  
30 method that differentiates that text from the list of supporters or  
31 opponents that follow, the text “Supporters:” or “Opponents:”  
32 may be displayed with only the initial letter capitalized. If that text  
33 is not emphasized, then each letter of that text shall be capitalized.  
34 (J) If including the list of Supporters and Opponents in the ballot  
35 labels as required by this section would necessitate the printing  
36 of an extra ballot card compared to the ballot labels not including  
37 them, the type size of the part of all of the ballot labels starting  
38 with “Supporters” may be reduced by the minimal amount needed  
39 to stop them from necessitating an extra ballot card, as long as

1 *the type size is no smaller than 8-point and as long as the type size*  
2 *is reduced by the same amount for all ballot measures.*

3 (2) ~~The supporters~~(A) *The proponents of the measure shall*  
4 *provide the list of supporters described in subparagraph (A) of*  
5 *paragraph (1) to the Secretary of State when submitting the*  
6 *arguments supporting the ballot measure or the rebuttal arguments*  
7 *to the argument opposing the measure. For every supporter listed*  
8 *that is a nonprofit organization, a business, or an individual whose*  
9 *title includes a nonprofit organization or business, the supporters*  
10 *shall include a signed statement by a representative of the nonprofit*  
11 *organization or business, under penalty of perjury, that includes*  
12 *its name and business address and that attests (1) that the nonprofit*  
13 *organization or business supports the measure, (2) that the*  
14 *nonprofit organization or business has been in existence for at*  
15 *least two years, (3) that the nonprofit organization or business*  
16 *has had at least one full-time employee for the last two years, or,*  
17 *if it is a nonprofit organization, that it has had at least 500 donors*  
18 *in the last two years, and (4) that it was not originally created as*  
19 *a committee described in Section 82013 of the Government Code.*

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21 (B) *The opponents of the measure shall provide the list of*  
22 *opponents described in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) to the*  
23 *Secretary of State when submitting the arguments opposing the*  
24 *ballot measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument*  
25 *supporting the measure. For every opponent listed that is a*  
26 *nonprofit organization, a business, or an individual whose title*  
27 *includes a nonprofit organization or business, the supporters shall*  
28 *include a signed statement by a representative of the nonprofit*  
29 *organization or business, under penalty of perjury, that includes*  
30 *its name and business address and that attests (1) that the nonprofit*  
31 *organization or business opposes the measure, (2) that the*  
32 *nonprofit organization or business has been in existence for at*  
33 *least two years, (3) that the nonprofit organization or business*  
34 *has had at least one full-time employee for the last two years, or,*  
35 *if it is a nonprofit organization, that it has had at least 500 donors*  
36 *in the last two years, and (4) that it was not originally created as*  
37 *a committee described in Section 82013 of the Government Code.*

38 (C) *In order to enable the Secretary of State to determine*  
39 *whether the nonprofit organizations and businesses listed in the*  
40 *supporters or opponents have been in existence for at least two*

1 years, the proponents and opponents shall submit with the list of  
2 supporters and opponents described in subparagraphs (A) and  
3 (B) a certified copy of the articles of incorporation, articles of  
4 organization, or similar document for each nonprofit organization  
5 or business on the list that verifies that the nonprofit organization  
6 or business has been in existence for at least two years.

7 (D) The Secretary of State shall confirm that a submission listing  
8 supporters or opponents includes the documentation required by  
9 subparagraphs (A) through (C) and otherwise meets the  
10 requirements of this section. The Secretary of State shall ask the  
11 proponents or opponents to resubmit a list if the requirements are  
12 not met. The Secretary of State may establish deadlines by when  
13 proponents or opponents must resubmit a list.

14 (d) In providing the ballot title and summary, the Attorney  
15 General shall give a true and impartial statement of the purpose  
16 of the measure in such language that the ballot title and summary  
17 shall neither be an argument, nor be likely to create prejudice, for  
18 or against the proposed measure.

19 (e) The Attorney General shall invite and consider public  
20 comment in preparing each ballot title and summary.

21 SEC. 6. Section 9053 of the Elections Code is amended to read:  
22 9053. Each measure shall be designated on the ballot by the  
23 ballot label certified by the Secretary of State.

24 SEC. 7. Section 9170 is added to the Elections Code, to read:  
25 9170. (a) Subject to subdivision (d), the ballot label or similar  
26 description of a county, city, district, or school measure on a county  
27 ballot shall end with all of the following:

28 (1) After the text "Supporters:", a listing of associations,  
29 nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the  
30 signers of the argument in favor of the measure or from the signers  
31 of the rebuttal to the argument against the measure printed in the  
32 voter information guide. The list of supporters shall not exceed  
33 125 characters in length. Each supporter shall be separated by a  
34 semicolon. An association, nonprofit organization, or business  
35 shall not be listed unless it supports the county measure.

36 (2) After the text "Opponents:", a listing of associations,  
37 nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the  
38 signers of the argument against the measure or from the signers  
39 of the rebuttal to the argument in favor of the measure printed in  
40 the voter information guide. The list of opponents shall not exceed

1 125 characters in length. Each opponent shall be separated by a  
2 semicolon. An association, nonprofit organization, or business  
3 shall not be listed unless it opposes the county measure.

4 (3) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2)  
5 unless it is one of the following:

6 (A) An association, nonprofit organization, or business that was  
7 not originally created as a committee described in Section 82013  
8 of the Government Code and that has been in existence for at least  
9 two years.

10 (B) A current or former elected official, who may be listed with  
11 the official's title (e.g., "State Senator Mary Smith", "Assembly  
12 Member Carlos Garcia," or "former Eureka City Council Member  
13 Amy Lee"). These titles may be shortened (e.g. "Senator" or  
14 "Sen." for "State Senator" or "Asm." for "Assembly Member").

15 (C) An individual who is not a current or former elected official  
16 may be listed only with the individual's first and last name and an  
17 honorific (e.g., "Dr.", "Md", "PhD", or "Esquire"), with no  
18 other title or designation, unless it is a title representing an  
19 association, nonprofit organization, or business that meets the  
20 requirements of subparagraphs (A) or (B) and that is eligible to  
21 be listed under paragraph (1) if the individual supports the county  
22 measure or under paragraph (2) if the individual opposes the  
23 county measure.

24 (4) Spaces, commas, semicolons, and other characters count  
25 towards the 125-character limit in paragraphs (1) and (2).

26 (5) A signer shall not be listed pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2)  
27 if the signer is a political party or is representing a political party.

28 (6) The name of an association, nonprofit organization, or  
29 business included in the list of supporters and opponents as  
30 required by this section may be shortened using acronyms,  
31 abbreviations, or by leaving out words in their name, as long as  
32 doing so would not confuse voters with another well-known  
33 organization or business that did not take the same position on  
34 the ballot measure (e.g., "Hot Air Balloon Flyers of Montana  
35 Education Fund" may be shortened to "Hot Air Balloons  
36 Montana").

37 (7) Supporters and opponents listed pursuant to paragraph (1)  
38 or (2) shall be added as text after the condensed ballot title and  
39 summary, if any, and may be separated by semicolons. Supporters  
40 and opponents need not be displayed on separate horizontal lines

1 on the ballot. If no list of supporters is provided by the proponents  
2 or there are none that meet the requirements of this section, then  
3 “Supporters” shall be followed by “None submitted”. If no list of  
4 opponents is provided by the opponents or there are none that  
5 meet the requirements of this section, then “Opponents” shall be  
6 followed by “None submitted.”

7 (8) Notwithstanding paragraph (7), if a ballot lists ballot labels  
8 for measures in more than one language on the same page, the  
9 ballot may separate the lists of supporters and opponents described  
10 by this section and list them each once in a separate paragraph  
11 below the rest of the ballot labels that are printed in the different  
12 languages. In that case, the word “Supporters:” shall be listed  
13 once using the translation for each language that appears on the  
14 ballot ahead of the list of supporters required in paragraph (1),  
15 and the word “Opponents:” shall be listed once using the  
16 translation for each language that appears on the ballot ahead of  
17 the list of opponents required in paragraph (2). Each supporter  
18 or opponent listed shall be listed once if the translation for that  
19 supporter or opponent is the same, or separated by a “/” if the  
20 translation for the supporter or opponent is different. If some words  
21 in the translation of a supporter or opponent name are different  
22 and some are the same, the translation may list the translation for  
23 only the words that are different. (E.g. For a dual English / Spanish  
24 ballot, “Assembly Member Jane Smith” may be listed as “Assembly  
25 Member Jane Smith / Miembro de la Asamblea Jane Smith” or as  
26 “Assembly Member / Miembro de la Asamblea Jane Smith”.)

27 (9) If the ballot emphasizes the text “Supporters:” or  
28 “Opponents:” by use of boldface font, underlining, or any other  
29 method that differentiates that text from the list of supporters or  
30 opponents that follow, the text “Supporters:” or “Opponents:”  
31 may be displayed with only the initial letter capitalized. If that text  
32 is not emphasized, then each letter of that text shall be capitalized.

33 (10) If including the list of Supporters and Opponents in the  
34 ballot labels as required by this section would necessitate the  
35 printing of an extra ballot card compared to the ballot labels not  
36 including them, the type size of the part of all of the ballot labels  
37 starting with “Supporters” may be reduced by the minimal amount  
38 needed to stop them from necessitating an extra ballot card, as  
39 long as the type size is no smaller than 8-point and as long as the  
40 type size is reduced by the same amount for all ballot measures.

1     **(b) (1)** *The proponents of the measure shall provide the list of*  
2 *supporters described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) to the*  
3 *elections official when submitting arguments supporting the*  
4 *measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument opposing the*  
5 *measure. For every supporter listed that is an association, a*  
6 *nonprofit organization, a business, or an individual whose title*  
7 *includes an association, nonprofit organization or business, the*  
8 *supporters shall include a signed statement by a representative of*  
9 *the association, nonprofit organization, or business, under penalty*  
10 *of perjury, that includes its name and an address and that attests*  
11 *(1) that the association, nonprofit organization, or business*  
12 *supports the measure, (2) that the association, nonprofit*  
13 *organization, or business has been in existence for at least two*  
14 *years, and (3) that it was not originally created as a committee*  
15 *described in Section 82013 of the Government Code.*

16     **(2)** *The opponents of the measure shall provide the list of*  
17 *opponents described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) to the*  
18 *elections official when submitting the arguments opposing the*  
19 *measure or the rebuttal arguments to the argument supporting the*  
20 *measure. For every opponent listed that is an association, a*  
21 *nonprofit organization, a business, or an individual whose title*  
22 *includes an association, nonprofit organization or business, the*  
23 *opponents shall include a signed statement by a representative of*  
24 *the association, nonprofit organization or business, under penalty*  
25 *of perjury, that includes its name and an address and that attests*  
26 *(1) that the association, nonprofit organization, or business*  
27 *opposes the measure, (2) that the association, nonprofit*  
28 *organization or business has been in existence for at least two*  
29 *years, and (3) that it was not originally created as a committee*  
30 *described in Section 82013 of the Government Code.*

31     **(3)** *The elections official that receives the ballot arguments and*  
32 *list of supporters or opponents shall confirm that a submission*  
33 *listing supporters or opponents includes the documentation*  
34 *required by paragraphs (1) and (2) and otherwise meets the*  
35 *requirements of this section. The elections official shall ask the*  
36 *proponents or opponents to resubmit a list if the requirements are*  
37 *not met. The elections official may establish deadlines by when*  
38 *proponents or opponents must resubmit a list.*

39     **(c)** *An elections official that is not a county elections official*  
40 *that administers a city, district, or school election and that receives*

1 *a list of supporters or opponents for inclusion on the ballot label*  
 2 *or similar description shall, after confirming compliance with this*  
 3 *section as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b), forward*  
 4 *that list to the county elections official.*

5 *(d) At least 30 days before the deadline for submitting arguments*  
 6 *for or against county measures, a county may elect not to list*  
 7 *supporters and opponents for county, city, district and school*  
 8 *measures on the county ballot. A county shall not include a list of*  
 9 *supporters or opponents for any county, city, district, or school*  
 10 *measure if the county does not include a list of supporters or*  
 11 *opponents for all measures for which the county receives a list*  
 12 *that meets the requirements of this section. If the county elects not*  
 13 *to list supporters and opponents for county, city, district, or school*  
 14 *measures on the county ballot, the requirements of subdivisions*  
 15 *(a) through (c) do not apply.*

16 ~~SEC. 7.~~

17 SEC. 8. Section 13282 of the Elections Code is amended to  
 18 read:

19 13282. Whenever the Attorney General prepares a condensed  
 20 ballot title and summary, the Attorney General shall file a copy of  
 21 the condensed ballot title and summary with the Secretary of State.  
 22 The Secretary of State shall make a copy of the ballot label that  
 23 includes the condensed ballot title and summary *and the supporters*  
 24 *and opponents as required by subdivision (c) of Section 9051*  
 25 *available for public examination prior to the printing of the ballot*  
 26 *label on any ballot. The public shall be permitted to examine the*  
 27 *ballot label for at least 20 days, and the Secretary of State may*  
 28 *consolidate the examination requirement under this section with*  
 29 *the public examination requirements set forth in Section 9092. A*  
 30 *voter may seek a writ of mandate requiring a ballot label, or portion*  
 31 *thereof, to be amended or deleted. The provisions set forth in*  
 32 *Section 9092 concerning the issuance of the writ and the nature*  
 33 *of the proceedings shall be applicable to this section.*

34 SEC. 9. *The Legislature finds and declares that providing*  
 35 *voters with information to better understand ballot measures is a*  
 36 *matter of statewide concern and is not a municipal affair as that*  
 37 *term is used in Section 5 of Article XI of the California*  
 38 *Constitution. Therefore, Section 7 of this act adding Section 9170*  
 39 *of the Elections Code applies to all cities, including charter cities.*

1     *SEC. 10. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant*  
2 *to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution for*  
3 *certain costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school*  
4 *district because, in that regard, this act creates a new crime or*  
5 *infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty*  
6 *for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of*  
7 *the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within*  
8 *the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California*  
9 *Constitution.*

10     *However, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that*  
11 *this act contains other costs mandated by the state, reimbursement*  
12 *to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made*  
13 *pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division*  
14 *4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.*

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CITY CIUDAD	
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Member, City Council District 4 Miembro del Concejo Municipal Distrito 4	
Vote for One Vote por Uno	
LAN DIEP <input type="radio"/> City Councilmember Concejel de la Ciudad	<b>15 INCREASES FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES BY CHANGING TAX ASSESSMENT OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Taxes such properties based on current market value, instead of purchase price. Fiscal Impact Increased property taxes on commercial properties worth more than \$3 million providing \$6.5 billion to \$11.5 billion in new funding to local governments and schools.  <b>AUMENTA LAS FUENTES DE FINANCIAMIENTO PARA LAS ESCUELAS PÚBLICAS, LAS UNIVERSIDADES COMUNITARIAS Y LOS SERVICIOS GUBERNAMENTALES LOCALES AL CAMBIAR LA VALUACIÓN FISCAL DE LAS PROPIEDADES COMERCIALES E INDUSTRIALES. INICIATIVA DE ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL.</b> Grava a dichas propiedades en función del valor de mercado actual, en lugar del precio de compra. Impacto fiscal Aumento del impuesto a la propiedad sobre inmuebles comerciales con un valor de más de \$3 millones, proporcionando \$6.5 mil millones a \$11.5 mil millones en nuevos fondos para los gobiernos locales y las escuelas.
DAVID COHEN <input type="radio"/> Governing Board Member, Berryessa Union School District Miembro de la Junta de Gobierno Distrito Escolar Unión de Berryessa	<b>16 ALLOWS DIVERSITY AS A FACTOR IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, AND CONTRACTING DECISIONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Permits government decision-making policies to consider race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in order to address diversity by repealing constitutional provision prohibiting such policies. Fiscal Impact No direct fiscal effect on state and local entities. The effects of the measure depend on the future choices of state and local government entities and are highly uncertain  <b>PERMITE LA DIVERSIDAD COMO FACTOR EN EL EMPLEO PÚBLICO, LA EDUCACIÓN Y LAS DECISIONES DE CONTRATACIÓN. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL LEGISLATIVA.</b> Permite que las políticas gubernamentales para la toma de decisiones consideren la raza, el sexo, el color, el origen étnico y la nacionalidad para abordar la diversidad al derogar la disposición constitucional que prohíbe dichas políticas. Impacto fiscal No tiene un efecto fiscal directo sobre las entidades estatales y locales. Los efectos de la iniciativa de ley dependen de las decisiones futuras de las entidades gubernamentales estatales y locales y son altamente inciertos.
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<b>14 AUTHORIZES BONDS CONTINUING STEM CELL RESEARCH. INITIATIVE STATUTE.</b> Authorizes \$5.5 billion state bonds for stem cell and other medical research, including training; research facility construction; administrative costs. Dedicates \$1.5 billion to brain-related diseases. Appropriates General Fund moneys for repayment. Expands related programs. Fiscal Impact Increased state costs to repay bonds estimated at about \$260 million per year over the next roughly 30 years.  <b>AUTORIZA BONOS PARA CONTINUAR LA INVESTIGACIÓN CON CÉLULAS MADRE. LEY POR INICIATIVA.</b> Autoriza \$5.5 mil millones en bonos estatales para investigación con células madre y otras investigaciones médicas, incluyendo capacitación; construcción de instalaciones de investigación; y costos administrativos. Destina \$1.5 mil millones a enfermedades relacionadas con el cerebro. Asigna dinero del Fondo General para el reembolso. Amplía programas relacionados. Impacto fiscal Se calcula que el aumento de los costos del estado para reembolsar los bonos es de alrededor de \$260 millones por año durante aproximadamente los próximos 30 años.	<b>17 RESTORES RIGHT TO VOTE AFTER COMPLETION OF PRISON TERM. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.</b> Restores voting rights upon completion of prison term to persons who have been disqualified from voting while serving a prison term. Fiscal Impact Annual county costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars statewide, for voter registration and ballot materials. One-time state costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, for voter registration cards and systems.  <b>RESTABLECE EL DERECHO DE VOTAR DESPUÉS DE CUMPLIR LA PENA DE PRISIÓN. ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL LEGISLATIVA.</b> Restablece los derechos al voto al cumplir la pena de prisión para las personas que han sido descalificadas para votar mientras cumplían una pena en prisión. Impacto fiscal Costos anuales para los condados, probablemente en los cientos de miles de dólares en todo el estado, para el registro de votantes y materiales de votación. Costos por única vez para el estado, probablemente en los cientos de miles de dólares, en tarjetas y sistemas para el registro de votantes.
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