

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF
PROPOSITION 4

Here is what the politicians supporting Proposition 4 do not tell you:

Proposition 4 REPEALS the voter-approved law that PROHIBITS candidates from using taxpayer money to run for office.

Proposition 4 has NO LIMIT on the number of candidates who can get taxpayer money. In the election last June, more than 60 candidates ran for Governor. Proposition 4 would allow thousands of candidates to get taxpayer money!

Proposition 4 has NO LIMIT on how much taxpayer money a candidate can get. Proposition 4 opens the door to taxpayer-funded campaigns but provides no limits on how much taxpayer money a candidate can get and NO LIMIT on spending. It will lead to more negative ads, more junk mail, and more annoying text messages.

Proposition 4 does NOT PROHIBIT SPECIAL INTEREST MONEY in campaigns. Proposition 4 ALLOWS candidates to get taxpayer money AND to get special interest money!

Where exactly is the money going to come from to fund thousands of political campaigns? Proposition 4 does not say. But you know the answer. It is coming from YOU, the taxpayers! Less money for schools, less money for public safety, less money for healthcare. More money for politicians.

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Proposition 4 is a BLANK CHECK. It is based on false promises and failed solutions.

Proposition 4 does NOT protect taxpayers. That is why Proposition 4 is opposed by California's leading taxpayer organizations.

Proposition 4 does NOT provide for "fair elections." That is why Proposition 4 is opposed by former Commissioners of the Fair Political Practices Commission.

Vote NO ON PROPOSITION 4.

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