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June, 2010 Ballot Measures (updated June 13)

BALLOT ITEM & positions	DESCRIPTION	SUPPORTERS	OPPONENTS
Prop. 13: Seismic Retrofitting Amendment, SCA 4. SUPPORT (passed 85-15%)	Prohibits tax assessors from reassessing property values when new construction has occurred to seismically retrofit existing buildings. Fiscal impact: unknown.	Sen. Roy Ashburn (author); CA Assessors Assn; L.A. Area Chamber; Oxnard Chamber; Carpinteria Chamber; Ventura Chamber.	
Prop. 14: Top-Two Primary Elections. SUPPORT (passed 54-46%)	Top two primary election vote getters advance to general election regardless of party affiliation. Fiscal impact: unknown.	Gov Schwarzenegger; CA Chamber; L.A. Area Chamber; Oxnard Chamber; Camarillo Chamber; Carpinteria Chamber; Ventura Chamber.	CA Democratic Party; CA Republican Party; Green Party; CA School Employees Association; ACLU-Northern California
Prop. 15: "Fair Elections Act," AB 583. OPPOSE (failed 58-42%)	Public funding of campaigns for Secretary of State through fees on lobbyists and their clients. Fiscal impact: unknown.	Common Cause; CA Nurses Assn.; Sierra Club; CA Teamsters; Consumer Federation; CA Democratic Party; League of Women Voters.	CA Chamber; CA Manufacturers & Technology Assn.; Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assn.; L.A. Area Chamber ; Camarillo Chamber; Carpinteria Chamber; Ventura Chamber; Oxnard Chamber; Goleta Chamber.
Prop. 16: "Taxpayers Right to Vote Act." Neutral (failed 52-48%)	Requires two-thirds voter approval before cities can establish community choice aggregation programs and break away from privately owned utilities.	Pacific Gas & Electric; CA Chamber; CA Taxpayers Assn.	Sierra Club; The Utility Reform Network (TURN); Sacramento Bee; Carpinteria Chamber; Oxnard Chamber.
Prop. 17: "Continuous Coverage Auto Insurance Discount Act." SUPPORT (failed 52-48%)	Amends Prop. 103 to allow insurance companies in the state to give "persistency discounts" for those who have had continuous auto insurance coverage.	CA Chamber; Alliance of Insurance Agents & Brokers; Ventura Co. Taxpayers Assn; Oxnard Chamber; Carpinteria Chamber; Camarillo Chamber; VCEDA; Ventura Chamber.	Campaign for Consumer Rights; CA Democratic Party; CA Labor Federation
Measure J: Paredon Oil & Gas Initiative (Carpinteria). SUPPORT (failed 70-30%)	Initiates regulatory approval process of allowing a slant oil drilling facility to be installed on the Carpinteria coastline; up to \$200 million would be given directly to the city and county over 20 years depending on output.	SB County Taxpayers Assn; SB Industrial & Technology Assn; SB County Firefighters Assn.; Carpinteria Chamber; Goleta Chamber; Oxnard Chamber.	Citizens Committee Against Paredon Initiative; Carpinteria City Council