

LEAGUE RECOMMENDATIONS NOVEMBER 3, 2008 ELECTION

LOCAL MEASURES			STATE ISSUES		
R	Proposes to raise supervisors compensation to \$48,000 and include CPI adjustment (raise) annually. If passed, voters lose ALL say on supervisor pay.	NO	3	Childrens Hospital Bonds - \$9980 Million: Son of Prop 61 (2004, \$740 million). Same group coming to the well once more "for the children." Circumvents regular legislative process. Taxpayers would foot the bill.	NO
S	Changes county counsel term to 4 years rather than "at the pleasure of the board." Provides more independence for county counsel.	YES	4	Parental Notification, Abortion: Requires minor's doctor to notify parent/guardian 48 hours prior to performing abortion. Potential State cost several millions annually (health services, court costs).	VOTER CHOICE
T	Alta-Dutch Flat School District: Levees \$45 annual parcel tax for 4 years to supplement academic programs. Current economic conditions warrant this added cost to be postponed for now.	NO	5	Non-Violent Drug Offenses: Allocates State funds of \$450 million annually to improve and expand treatment programs. Limits jail time for certain offenses. Cost \$1 billion annually. Could save State \$1 billion annually on corrections operations.	VOTER CHOICE
U	Tahoe-Truckee School Bonds: Proposed issue of \$93.5 million in bonds to renovate and acquire sites, construct facilities and continue a 1999 voter-approved tax. A costly and ambitious proposal when school enrollment is dropping.	NO	6	Law Enforcement Funding - \$965 Million Annually: Enacts 30 revisions to California's criminal law. Impact - new State costs of \$500 million plus \$965 million annually for criminal justice programs and corrections costs. Extravagant.	NO
N	Center School District Bonds - \$500 Million: District shares Sacramento and Placer County's overly ambitious proposal that could cost \$2 billion to retire bonds. Needs pruning.	NO	7	Renewable Energy Mandate: Requires all utilities to generate 20% of electricity with renewables by 2010. Raises requirement to 40% by 2020 and 50% by 2025. Unrealistic. Does not shorten time frame for approving new renewable energy plants. Could result in energy shortage.	NO
P	Placer Hills Fire District proposes reauthorization of previous voter-approved assessments, as required by the Gann Act. Funds have aided PHFD to staff Meadow Vista and Weimar Fire Stations and to fully serve fire and medical services. Not a new tax.	YES	8	Constitutional amendment which provides that marriage should only be between a man and a woman.	VOTER CHOICE
Q	Colfax Elementary School District Bonds - \$2.5 Million: To provide quality classrooms, update electrical systems, new science and computer education rooms, etc. Colfax faces immediate costly need to construct a waste treatment facility. New school facilities should be put on hold until the waste problem is solved.	NO	9	Criminal Justice, Victims Rights, Parole: Requires opportunity of input during justice process. Impact - loss of State savings on prison operations, increased county jail costs, amounting to hundreds of millions annually. Costly.	NO
STATE PROPOSITIONS			10	Alternate Fuel Vehicles Bond - \$5 Billion: Subsidizes purchase of alternate fuel vehicles, funds research on renewable energy. Market forces are already starting to provide alternate fuel vehicles and research.	NO
1A	High Speed Rail Bonds - \$9.95 Billion: Proposal to develop fast train service from San Fransisco through the valley to Los Angeles. Bullet trains in France and Japan do not pay their way, they are subsidised by the State. Same with this project. Taxpayers would be stuck with \$847 million bond interest annually plus operating cost of \$1 billion.	NO	11	Redistricting: Establishes a commission comprised of members of all parties to draw election boundaries for state legislators. A plan to partly remove politics from this process.	YES
2	Standards for Farm Animal Confinement: Proposes new standards for caging chickens, hogs and calves. Would increase farm costs unreasonably and may increase bird-flu contagin to flocks and people. Current farming meets government humane standards. Proposal would increase costs of farm products.	NO	12	Veterans Bond Act - \$900 Million: Provides farm and home loans to California veterans. Costs of \$1.8 billion, principal and interest to be paid by participating veterans. Similar past issues, no cost to taxpayers.	YES