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Humboldt Organized for People and the Environment



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Recommendations for CA Ballot Propositions

Election on: Tues. June 3, 2008

Y=Yes, N=No	Prop.	
Organization	98	99
Amer. Assoc. of University Women (AAUW)		
CA School Board Assn	N	
CA State PTA		
CA Federation of Teachers (CFT)		
CA Faculty Association		
CA Teachers Association (CTA)	N	
CA Democratic Party	N	Y
CA Republican Party		
Green Party of CA		
Democracy Unlimited of Humboldt County	N	
CA Peace and Freedom Party	N	Y
Libertarian Party of Humboldt		
League of Women Voters (LWV)	N	Y
CA Labor Federation (AFL-CIO)	N	Y
Chamber of Commerce	N	Y
League of CA Cities	N	Y
Common Cause		
CA Council of Churches	N	Y
Capitol Resource Assn. (Christian Coalition)		
Friends Comm. on Legislation (FCL) (Quakers)	N	Y
NAACP		
ACLU	N	Y
Sierra Club	N	Y
League of Conservation Voters	N	Y
Farm Bureau Federation of CA	Y	
CA Nurses Association (CNA)		
CA National Association for Women (NOW)	N	Y
CA Planned Parenthood		
Congress of CA Seniors		
CA Assoc. of Retired Persons (CA-ARP)	N	
Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assn.	Y	
CA Taxpayers Assn.		N
My Vote		
Proposition	98	99

The Propositions

98. Government Acquisition, Regulation of Private Property -- State of California (Initiative Constitutional Amendment) Bars state and local governments from condemning or damaging private property for private uses. Prohibits rent control and similar measures. Prohibits deference to government in takings cases. Defines "just compensation." Requires an award of attorneys fees and costs if a property owner obtains a judgment for more than the amount offered by the government. Requires government to offer to original owner of condemned property the right to repurchase property at condemned price when property is put to substantially different use than was publicly stated.

League of Women Voters says: Californians deserve protection from eminent domain abuse, but Prop. 98 is a radical proposal that goes too far. Its extreme provisions would eliminate rent control and other renter protection laws; that is why wealthy apartment and mobile home park owners have contributed most of the money to qualify Proposition 98 for the ballot. In addition, Proposition 98 contains language that would make it difficult to protect the environment and regulate land use, growth and development. This hidden agenda would threaten water quality, hurt the environment, and thwart regulations that protect our neighborhoods.

99. Eminent Domain. Acquisition of Owner-Occupied Residence -- State of California (Initiative Constitutional Amendment) Bars state and local governments from using eminent domain to acquire an owner-occupied residence, as defined, for conveyance to a private person or business entity. Creates exceptions for public work or improvement, public health and safety protection, and crime prevention.

League of Women Voters says: This measure is a real eminent domain reform measure that will protect homeowners, without the hidden agendas and adverse consequences of Proposition 98. Proposition 99 will prohibit the government from using eminent domain to take a home to transfer to another private party. It is supported by a broad coalition of homeowners, business, labor, cities, counties and environmentalists.

Some organizations are taking no positions for some or all of these propositions, or had not made recommendations by the May 12, 2008 print deadline.

See LWV's www.smartvoter.org for complete Pros & Cons on propositions, your polling place, candidate statements, voter registration qualifications, sample ballot, & other info.

Last Day to Register to Vote: May 19, 2008

Last day registered voters can pick up absentee ballots at the Humboldt County Office of Elections, 3555 Harris St., Eureka 707-445-7678: **June 2, 2008**

Where do I vote? For info on your registration status & polling place, call the Humboldt County Elections Office 707-445-7678

Last day county elections officials will receive applications for absentee ballots to be mailed to registered voters: **May 27, 2008.**

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