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PROPOSITION RECOMMENDATIONS

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We hope this guide helps you navigate the upcoming propositions. As an association, ABC of CA has consistently opposed Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) mandates because:

- **Taxpayer Fairness through Open Competition:** Hardworking taxpayers deserve efficient and effective policies that will encourage all qualified contractors to compete to build long-lasting, quality projects at the best price. Government-mandated PLAs discourage this process and prevents the more than 89% of the U.S. construction workforce who are not members of a union from bidding and working on projects in their own communities funded by their tax dollars.
- **Higher costs:** Anti-competitive and costly PLAs restrict open, fair and competitive bidding on public works projects. By preventing cost efficient local businesses from bidding on contracts to build roads, bridges, schools and other structures, this guarantees that taxpayers pay 12% to 20% more and the local community benefits less.

Prop 2: OPPOSE

AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE.

Authorizes \$10 billion in state general obligation bonds for repair, upgrade, and construction of facilities including improvement of health and safety conditions at K–14 public schools, including charter schools, community colleges and career technical education programs. \$8.5 billion for K-12 schools and \$1.5 billion for community colleges. Proposition 2 also provides preferential treatment for the purposes of bond allocation if a school district project includes the use of a PLA.

ABC of CA “NO” Position on Prop 2

ABC of CA does not support the public policy behind the imposition of PLA mandates regardless of the small benefits associated with state bonds that fund public projects. Taking a support position on a bond that includes incentives for local agencies to add PLAs to public works and public funds is contrary to ABC of CA priorities. Individual members are allowed to vote in any way that benefits their personal life, the position of ABC of CA represents the statewide priorities of the Association.

Prop 3: NEUTRAL

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MARRIAGE. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Proposition 3 repeals Section 7.5 of Article 1 of the California Constitution, which states that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California; expressly affirms that the right to marry is a fundamental right.

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Prop 4: NEUTRAL

AUTHORIZES BONDS FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, WILDFIRE PREVENTION, AND PROTECTING COMMUNITIES AND NATURAL LANDS FROM CLIMATE RISKS. LEGISLATIVE STATUTE.

Proposition 4 authorizes \$10 billion in state general obligation bonds for various projects to reduce climate risks and impacts: \$3.8 billion for safe drinking water and water resilience; \$1.95 billion for wildfire prevention and extreme heat mitigation; \$1.9 billion for protection of natural lands, parks, and wildlife; \$1.2 billion for protection of coastal lands, bays, and oceans; \$850 million for clean energy; and \$300 million for agriculture. Prioritizes projects benefitting disadvantaged communities

Prop 5: SUPPORT

ALLOWS LOCAL BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE WITH 55% VOTER APPROVAL. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Proposition 5 allows local bonds for affordable housing for low- and middle-income Californians, or for public infrastructure including roads, water, and fire protection to be approved by 55% of voters, rather than current two-thirds approval requirement. Allows local governments to assess property taxes above 1% to repay affordable housing and infrastructure bonds if approved by 55% of voters instead of current two-thirds approval requirement.

Prop 6: NEUTRAL

ELIMINATES CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION ALLOWING INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS. LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Proposition 6 amends the California Constitution by repealing language prohibiting involuntary servitude except to punish crime and replace it with language prohibiting slavery and involuntary servitude absolutely. The amendment also would prohibit the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from disciplining any incarcerated person for refusing a work assignment but authorize the department to award credits to incarcerated persons who voluntarily participate in work assignments.



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Prop 32: NEUTRAL

RAISES MINIMUM WAGE. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Proposition 32 increases the minimum wage in the following way:

- Employers with 26 or more employees would pay \$17 hourly for the remainder of 2024 and \$18 hourly beginning on January 1, 2025.
- Employers with 25 or fewer employees would pay \$17 hourly beginning January 1, 2025, and \$18 hourly beginning January 1, 2026.

Thereafter, the minimum wage would annually adjust for inflation.

Prop 33: NEUTRAL

EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Proposition 33 repeals the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995 and would prohibit the state from limiting the right of cities and counties to maintain, enact, or expand residential rent-control ordinances. Under the proposition, cities and counties can control rents for any housing. They also can limit how much a landlord may increase rents when a new renter moves in. The proposition itself does not make any changes to existing local rent control laws. Generally, cities and counties would have to take separate actions to change their local laws.

Prop 34: NEUTRAL

RESTRICTS SPENDING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG REVENUES BY CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Proposition 34 requires health care providers meeting specified criteria to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Penalizes noncompliance with spending restrictions by revoking health care licenses and tax-exempt status. Permanently authorizes state to negotiate Medi-Cal drug prices on statewide basis.



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Prop 35: NEUTRAL

PROVIDES PERMANENT FUNDING FOR MEDI-CAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Proposition 35 makes permanent the existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, currently set to expire in 2026, which the state uses to pay for health care services for low-income families with children, seniors, people with disabilities, and other groups covered by the Medi-Cal program. Requires revenues to be used only for specified Medi-Cal services, including primary and specialty care, emergency care, family planning, mental health, and prescription drugs. Prohibits revenues from being used to replace existing Medi-Cal funding. Caps administrative expenses and requires independent audits of programs receiving funding.

Prop 36: NEUTRAL

ALLOWS FELONY CHARGES AND INCREASES SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN DRUG AND THEFT CRIMES. INITIATIVE STATUTE.

Proposition 36 allows felony charges for possessing certain drugs, including fentanyl, and for thefts under \$950—both currently chargeable only as misdemeanors—with two prior drug or two prior theft convictions. Defendants who plead guilty to felony drug possession and complete treatment can have charges dismissed. Increases sentences for other specified drug and theft crimes.

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