

Nov 3, 2020 State Propositions - Voter guides

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14	Stem Cell Research	Would allow the state to sell \$5.5 billion in new bonds to pay for more stem cell research and medical treatments.	neutral	No		Yes		Yes	Yes
15	Taxes on Commercial Property	Would change the rules for taxes on commercial property. Commercial property would be taxed based on what the property is worth now, instead of small increases each year based on its purchase price. The new rules would only apply to people and businesses that own more than \$3 million in commercial property. There would be no change to taxes on	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
16	Allow public agencies to consider diversity	Would allow public colleges, universities, and agencies to include race, sex, color, ethnicity, and country of origin as part of their decision-making	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
17	Voting rights for people who have completed their sentence	Would allow people on parole to register to vote and vote in elections.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
18	Voting rights for 17 year olds	Would allow 17-year-olds to vote in primary elections or special elections if they will be 18 years old by the general election in November	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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19	Changes in property tax rules	Would expand the property tax rules for people in special groups. This includes people over 55, people who are disabled and people affected by a natural disaster. These homeowners could keep their lower property taxes, when moving to a new home anywhere in the state, up to three	No	No		no endorsement		Yes	Yes
20	Changes to criminal penalties and parole	Would undo parts of the crime laws passed by lawmakers and voters over the past 10 years. Some "petty theft" crimes could be punished as felonies. People convicted of stealing items worth \$250-950 could be sent to county jail for up to three years, in some cases.	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
21	Local governments and rent control	Cities and counties could pass rent control rules for housing that is more than 15 years old. Communities could limit how much a landlord can increase rent when a new renter moves in. Landlords could raise rent by up to 15 percent over three years on new renters, plus any increase allowed by local law. Prop 21 would only apply to landlords who own more than two housing units. Local rent control laws would still need to allow landlords to make some money each year.	neutral	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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22	Rideshare and delivery drivers	Rideshare/delivery drivers would stay as independent contractors. Rideshare and delivery companies would have to pay drivers 20 percent more than the local minimum wage for time spent driving. These companies would have to help pay health insurance costs for contractors who drive more than 15 hours per week and pay medical costs when a driver is injured while working. Prop 22 would also limit cities and counties from putting new rules on rideshare and delivery.	no position	No		No	No	No	Yes
23	Kidney Dialysis clinics	Increased regulation of private dialysis clinics (require a doctor present, have to report any dialysis-related infections to the state every three months and more	neutral	No		Yes		Yes	Yes
24	Changes to consumer privacy laws	Increases say over their personal data; could contact companies to prevent them from sharing or using "sensitive personal information."	No	No		no endorsement		Yes	No
25	Getting rid of bail	Voting "yes" would get rid of the bail system and allow the state's new law to go into effect. Voting "no" would keep the state's current bail system in place.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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