

# Cheat Sheet for California's Props



## School Construction Bonds

### Yes Vote:

Would authorize the state to issue \$9 billion in bonds for building and fixing schools.

### No Vote:

The state would not have the authority to sell new bonds.



## Hospital Fees for Medi-Cal

### Yes Vote:

Imposes fees on hospitals indefinitely to fund Medi-Cal, and the funds could only be reallocated with voter approval.

### No Vote:

Existing hospital fee for Medi-Cal would end Jan. 1, 2018 unless the legislature extends it.



## Revenue Bonds

### Yes Vote:

Requires statewide voter approval for revenue bonds over \$2 billion.

### No Vote:

No change to current revenue bond system.



## Publishing Legislative Bills

### Yes Vote:

Requires legislature to post bills on the internet 3 days before voting, and requires audio and video recordings to be posted online.

### No Vote:

No change to current system.



## Tax Extension for Education

### Yes Vote:

Would extend personal income taxes on high-income households to fund education and healthcare.

### No Vote:

The extra personal income tax would end Dec. 31, 2018.



## Cigarette Tax

### Yes Vote:

Increases cigarette tax by \$2 tax a pack and a similar increases on most other tobacco products and e-cigarettes.

### No Vote:

No new taxes on tobacco products.



## Criminal Sentencing

### Yes Vote:

Certain non-violent offenders could get out on parole earlier, plus judges would decide if juveniles are tried as adults.

### No Vote:

Parole criteria stay the same; minors can be tried as adults without a hearing in juvenile court.



## English Proficiency

### Yes Vote:

Would make it easier for public schools to decide how to teach students learning English in bilingual or English-immersion classes.

### No Vote:

Things stay as they are, requiring English-only programs for most English learners.



### Corporate Political Spending

**Yes Vote:**

Would ask California's elected officials to use their authority to increase regulation of campaign spending and contributions (undo Citizens United).

**No Vote:**

Elected officials would not be asked to try to change campaign spending regulations.

### Adult Film Regulation

**Yes Vote:**

The state should regulate and license the porn industry and be sure condoms are used.

**No Vote:**

There would be no change to current adult film regulations.



### State Prescription Drug Prices

**Yes Vote:**

State agencies can't pay more for any prescription drug than the lowest price paid by the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

**No Vote:**

State agencies continue to negotiate drug prices on their own.



### Abolish Death Penalty

**Yes Vote:**

Repeals California's death penalty and replaces it with life in prison without parole.

**No Vote:**

Would keep the death penalty as part of California's criminal sentencing laws.\*\*



### Ammunition Sales & Background Checks

**Yes Vote:**

New restrictions for buying and selling ammunition including background checks.

**No Vote:**

No new firearm or ammunition requirements.



### Legalize Marijuana

**Yes Vote:**

Adults could legally grow, possess and use marijuana.

**No Vote:**

Only medical marijuana would be legal.



### Sale of Reusable Bags

**Yes Vote:**

Would divert the money from the sale of reusable bags into a state environmental fund.

**No Vote:**

Money from the sale of reusable bags could go to any purpose.\*



### Death Penalty Reform

**Yes Vote:**

Changes procedures for death penalty appeals to speed up the process.

**No Vote:**

No changes to current law.\*\*



### Ban Plastic Bags

**Yes Vote:**

A state-wide ban on plastic bags would take effect, stores would keep the money from selling reusable bags.

**No Vote:**

Grocery stores would continue to provide free plastic bags unless local laws prohibit it.\*

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\* If both plastic bag measures (Props 65 and 67) pass, the one with the most votes becomes law

\*\*If both death penalty measures (Props 62 and 66) pass, the one with the most votes becomes law