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## I. Introduction

Hello!

Welcome to the ballot guide. I try to include as much information as possible without directly recreating the official ballot guide. The information is sourced from the official ballot guide, calmmatters, Ballotpedia, LA Times, voter's edge, and Mercury News. I have included sources links where appropriate.

I have done my best to keep my views out of it.

I started this to help my two aunts. They would ask me to simplify their ballots for them and since I was, in their words, “into politics.” Democracy relies on an informed and participatory citizenry, but this isn’t an easy task. This ballot guide is meant to alleviate some of the burden.

If you notice any errors, you feel like I’ve missed something, or you’ve found this guide helpful, feel free to email me at [lizmuehlmann@gmail.com](mailto:lizmuehlmann@gmail.com).

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### Helpful Resources:

1. Register to vote (Deadline October 24): <https://registertovote.ca.gov/>
2. Check your registration status: <https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov/>
3. Access the official voter guide: <https://voterguide.sos.ca.gov/>
4. Early voting & ballot drop off locations: <https://caearlyvoting.sos.ca.gov/>
5. Track your ballot: <https://california.ballottrax.net/voter/>
6. If you are in the Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Orange County area and need help getting to your polling place I will either find you resources or help you get there. I also offer to go with you to vote (and I will bring my two large German Shepherds) if you feel unsafe going to vote alone.

## II. On the ballot

President & Vice President	State Measure (Prop) 6
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### III. National Offices

The President of the United States is the head of the executive branch. All other national candidates will split their time between their district and Washington D.C. Their job is to represent their constituents in Washington by securing federal funds for their local area.

#### A. President & Vice President of the United States

<i>Party</i>	<i>Democratic</i>		<i>Republican</i>	
<i>Office</i>	President	Vice President	President	Office President
<i>Name</i>	Kamala Harris	Tim Walz	Donald J. Trump	J.D. Vance
<i>Experience</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- District Attorney</li> <li>- CA Attorney General</li> <li>- US State Senator for CA</li> <li>- US Vice President</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- U.S. Army</li> <li>- Nebraska &amp; Minnesota National Guard (24 years)</li> <li>- High School Teacher</li> <li>- Governor (Minnesota)</li> <li>- US House of Representatives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Real Estate</li> <li>- Former President of the United States</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lawyer</li> <li>- Venture Capitalist</li> <li>- Author</li> <li>- CNN Contributor</li> <li>- U.S. Senator</li> </ul>
<i>Education</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Howard University (BS - Political Science &amp; Economics)</li> <li>- UC Hastings Law School</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chadron State College (BS – Social Sciences)</li> <li>- Minnesota State University, Mankato (MS – Experiential Education)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- University of Pennsylvania (BA – Economics)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Marine</li> <li>- Ohio State University (BA – Political Science and Philosophy)</li> <li>- Yale Law School</li> </ul>
<i>Supports</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Harris is against the death penalty.</li> <li>- Harris launched the criminal justice open data initiative to combat bias</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pro-choice</li> <li>- Supported marijuana legalization</li> <li>- He won paid sick leave for workers, established state-supported paid family and medical leave, and banned noncompete agreements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">While Donald Trump has said that he does not know what Project 2025 is, but 140 people who worked for him have been involved with its creation.</a> Project 2025 calls for mass deportation, federal prohibitions, concentration of the power in the presidency, eliminate the Department of Education, roll back environmental protections, ban non-citizens from living in federal assisted housing. The full project 2025 handbook is <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>	
<i>Endorsements</i>	Joe Biden, Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, Barack Obama, Dick Cheney, Al Gore, over 200 Republicans, National Organization for Women, National Immigration Law Center, LGBTQ Victory Fund, March for Our Lives, Sierra Club, Planned Parenthood Action Fund, AFL-CIO, Unite Here, Writers Guild, New York Times, Rolling Stone, Vogue,		William Barr, Betsty DeVos, Steve Bannon, Kellyanne Conway	
<i>Key Votes/ Notable Positions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Yea on National Parks &amp; Public Land Restoration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Vetoed bill that would protect ride share workers</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Signed a bill protecting the National Parks &amp;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Yea amending the Federal Fire Prevention and</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- fund to maintain National Parks</li> <li>- Yea to impeach Donald Trump</li> <li>- Yea on the Permanent Authorization of the 9/11 compensation fund</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Signed a bill prohibiting hidden or deceptive fees for event tickets, restaurant meals, hotels, and credit cards.</li> <li>- Signed a bill establishing election policies and campaign finance laws</li> <li>- Signed a bill expanding access to free school lunches</li> <li>- Signed a bill making abortion a constitutional right in Minnesota</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Land Restoration fund to maintain National Parks</li> <li>- Signed an expanded access for sick leave, unemployment benefits, and protections for healthcare workers in response to COVID-19</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Control Act (1974) giving state fire departments access to federal funds</li> <li>- No on a bill to expand nationwide access to fertility treatments</li> <li>- Yea on a bill that would have allowed the Environmental Protection Agency from enforcing multi-pollutant emissions standards for models from 2027 onward</li> </ul>
Misc.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Most of Donald Trump's business ventures have reported substantial losses over the years or have been declared bankrupt.</li> <li>- Trump.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">J.D. Vance considered himself a "never Trump" guy in 2016. He has called Trump an "idiot" and "Hitler."</a></li> </ul>

Party	Libertarian		Green	
Office	President	Vice President	President	Vice President
Name	Chase Oliver	Mike Ter Maat	Jill Stein	Rudolph 'Butch' Ware
Experience	Fundraising Director Restauranter	Economist Businessman Police officer	Professor Medical Doctor	Professor
Education	Georgia State University	Rensselaer Polytechnic (BS – aeronautical engineering; MBA) George Washington University (MS, PhD, economics)	Harvard (BA – Psychology/Sociology/Anthropology) Harvard Medical	University of Minnesota (BA) University of Pennsylvania (PhD – History)
Supports	<a href="#">Pro-choice</a> <a href="#">Pro-police reform</a> <a href="#">Pro-second amendment</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eliminate the IRS</li> <li>- End the Federal Reserve</li> <li>- Phase out public education</li> <li>- Reform police accountability</li> <li>- Impose term limits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Healthy food, clean water</li> <li>- Guaranteed lifelong public education</li> <li>- Strengthen Social Security</li> <li>- End public school privatization</li> <li>- Overhaul immigration</li> <li>- Global free trade</li> <li>- Pro-Choice</li> </ul>	
Endorsements	Jo Jorgensen, Classical Libertarian Party		Abandon Harris Campaign, Medea Benjamin (founder of Code Pink), Muslim American Public Affairs Council	
Key Votes/ Notable Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Opposed the Iraq war</li> <li>- Against qualified immunity &amp; over-militarization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thinks the New Deal was a mistake</li> <li>- States should be free from the constitution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pro-Choice</li> <li>- Wants to "rein" in Israel</li> <li>- <a href="#">dSays that Democrats "can't win" and that "Democrats have lost."</a></li> </ul>	No information available

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wants third party candidates to be viable options</li> <li>- Wants to return to pre-pandemic spending levels.</li> <li>- Will veto any budget from Congress that's not balanced</li> <li>- Pro-Choice</li> <li>- Wants to free market to address climate change</li> <li>- Wants to abolish the Department of Education</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No regulation of individual activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Unless they give up their genocide"</a></li> <li>- Thinks the US Secretary of State should be impeached.</li> <li>- <a href="#">Refused to commit to conceding if Democrats agreed to a permanent ceasefire</a></li> </ul>	
Misc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Has said that if there's a government shut down because Congress can't balance the budget than that's "less money [the nation] is spending." He has also said that if that happens and the people who rely on government pay and benefits will no longer receive support, then they're "detoxing" like alcoholics who have had their alcohol taken away.</a></li> </ul>			

Party	Peace & Freedom	
Office	President	Vice President
Name	Claudia De La Cruz	Karina Garcia (Vice President)
Experience		
Education	John Jay College (BS – Forensic Psychology) Columbia University (MA – Social Work) Union Theological Seminary (MA – Divinity)	No information available
Supports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">Reparations</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Single-payer healthcare</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">End U.S Aid to Israel</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Forgive student loans</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Recognize Native American Sovereignty and honor treaty rights</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Cut U.S. military budget by 90%</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Seize 100 largest corporations</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Tax billionaires to eliminate them</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Expand public transportation</a></li> </ul>	
Endorsements	Peace & Freedom Party	No information available
Key Votes/ Notable Positions		

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Misc.	<a href="#">Democrats want her off the ballot, Republicans want her on it</a>	
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## B. United States Senator (Full and Part Term)

Job description: Represent constituents at the national level, inform the public about important issues that the state faces and introduce legislation.

California is in a weird position because we'll vote for U.S. Senator twice this year since Diane Feinstein died. When Feinstein died, Governor Gavin Newsom appointed Laphonza Butler to finish out Feinstein's term. Butler said she is not running for the full term. This is the first fully open race since 2016.

### *Full-Term Senator (6 years)*

The person you select for this will advance to the November election. If elected, they'll serve a full 6-year term as a U.S. Senator

### *Short Term Senator (Unexpired term ending January 3)*

If Adam Schiff or Steve Garvey wins the short-term seat they'll serve until January 3, 2025 when the Full-Term Senator's seat takes over.

Both Schiff & Garvey are running for the short-term and full-term seat. I am only including the information once.

	<i>Democratic</i>	<i>Republican</i>
<i>Office</i>	Short-Term Senator / Full-Term Senator	Short-Term Senator / Full-Term Senator
<i>Name</i>	Adam B. Schiff	Steve Garvey
<i>Experience</i>	US House of Representatives CA Senate	Former baseball player Garvey Communications
<i>Education</i>	Stanford University (BA – Political Science) Harvard Law School (J.D.)	Michigan State University
<i>Supports</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pro-Choice</li> <li>- Does not support protecting government officials from prosecution</li> <li>- Supports defense spending</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Border security &amp; increased border patrol</li> <li>- Cut regulations and encourage free market solutions</li> <li>- Audit any money addressing homelessness</li> <li>- Address root causes of homelessness</li> <li>- Push for federal solutions to homelessness</li> <li>- Stiffer punishment for people who commit crimes</li> <li>- More police funding</li> <li>- Free market approach to renewable energy</li> <li>- Protect agriculture.</li> </ul>
<i>Endorsements</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- LA Times, McClatchy, Bakersfield, CA Democratic Party, American Federation of Teachers, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, IATSE</li> </ul>	San Diego Police Officers Association
<i>Key Votes/ Notable Positions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expand Metro transit</li> <li>- Wanted to try 14 year olds as adults</li> <li>- Wanted to make it a felony to hire undocumented immigrant</li> <li>- Voted in favor of invading Iraq in 2003 (Hindsight he has said he was absolutely wrong)</li> <li>- 0% rating from the NRA, 100% by the Humane Society</li> <li>- No on Fix Our Forests Act</li> <li>- Yes on NASA Reauthorization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Audit CA's gun control laws</li> <li>- Lower corporate taxes</li> <li>- <a href="#">Israel has the "unequivocal right to defend itself from terrorists"</a></li> <li>- Peace through strength</li> </ul>

	- Yes on	
Misc.		- <a href="#">Says students protesting for Palestine are “terrorists”</a> - <a href="#">Has not sought MAGA endorsement</a>

IV. State Measures

If approved, these measures will become law. Bonds are long-term financing. The state sells bonds to investors and then agrees to repay the money with interest.

A. State Measure / Proposition 2

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for repair, upgrade, and construction of facilities at K-12 public schools (including charter schools), community colleges, and career technical education programs, including improvement of health and safety conditions and classroom upgrades. Requires annual audits.  <b>Fiscal Impact:</b> Increased state costs of about \$500 million annually for 35 years to repay the bond.	Use long term financing to improve K-12 schools and colleges. The funds would be audited every year.	PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES  California Teachers Association California School Nurses Organization Community College League of California LA Times  PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO  Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association
MORE DETAILS		

B. State Measure / Proposition 3

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
Amends California Constitution to recognize fundamental right to marry, regardless of sex or race. Removes language in California Constitution stating that marriage is only between a man and woman.  <b>Fiscal Impact:</b> No change in revenues or costs for state and local governments	Makes same-sex marriage a constitutional right. Removes gendered language from the constitution limiting marriage to one man and one woman.	PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES  Sierra Pacific Synod of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Dolores Huerta Foundation, Equality California, California Labor Federation, CA Chamber of Commerce, Gavin Newsom, LA Times, Mercury News  PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO  Jonathan Keller, California Family Council, Rev. Tanner DiBella, American Council of Evangelicals
MORE DETAILS		

C. State Measure / Proposition 4

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
Authorizes \$10 billion in general obligation bonds for water, wildfire prevention, and	Borrow \$10 million in bonds to address problems that arise from climate change.	PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES

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<p>protection of communities and lands. Requires annual audits.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact:</b> Increased state costs of about \$400 million annually for 40 years to repay the bond</p>	<p>The most would go to secure clean water and protect against wildfires. Funds would be audited yearly.</p>	<p>Clean Water Action, CALFIRE Firefighters, National Wildlife Federation, The Nature Conservancy, League of Women Voters, California Democratic Party, SEIU California, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California</p>
		<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO</p> <p>Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, California Republican Party</p>
MORE DETAILS		

## D. State Measure / Proposition 5

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
<p>Allows approval of local infrastructure and housing bonds for low- and middle-income Californians with 55% vote. Accountability requirements.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact:</b> Increase local borrowing to fund affordable housing, supportive housing, and public infrastructure. The amount would depend on decisions by local governments and voters. Borrowing would be repaid with higher property taxes.</p>	<p>Currently, local bonds related to property taxes require 2/3 (66%) approval by voters. This prop would lower the requirement to 55%.</p> <p>Any borrowing, spending, or increase in property taxes would be put to a vote.</p>	<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES</p> <p>California Professional Firefighters, League of Women Voters of CA, Habitat for Humanity California, CA Democratic Party AIDS Healthcare Foundation, CA Labor Federation, LA Times, Sacramento Bee</p>
		<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO</p> <p>California Taxpayers Association, California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce, Women Veterans Alliance, CA Republican Party</p>
<p>MORE DETAILS</p> <p>It is difficult for local governments to borrow money for affordable housing. This prop is meant to address this problem. This prop would not increase property taxes or local government's debt if passed (at least not immediately). Prop 5 is a procedural change that lowers the amount of voter approval local government's need to borrow/spend on housing.</p>		

## E. State Measure / Proposition 6

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
<p>Amends the California Constitution to remove current provision that allows jails and prisons to impose involuntary servitude to punish crime (i.e., forcing incarcerated persons to work).</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact:</b> Potential increase or decrease in state and local costs, depending on how work for people in state prison and county jail changes. Any effect likely would not exceed the tens of millions of dollars annually.</p>	<p>Voting yes on this measure would stop prisoners from being used as an unpaid workforce.</p>	<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES</p> <p>ACLU CA Anti-Recidivism Coalition, CA Democratic Party, CA Teachers Association, CA Labor Federation, League of Women Voters of CA, LA Times, SF Chronicle, Sacramento Bee</p>
		<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO</p> <p>Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, East Bay Times/Mercury News, San Diego Union-Tribune, Pasadena Star News, CA Republican Party</p>
MORE DETAILS		



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Currently the state can force inmates to work if they do not want to and punish those who say they don't want to work. If passed, state prisons could set up voluntary work programs where work is exchanged for credits or time off sentences. It also allows the state to set up a pay scale for local jails.

## F. State Measure / Proposition 32

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
<p>Raises minimum wage as follows: For employers with 26 or more employers, to \$17 immediately, \$18 on January 1, 2025. For employers with 25 or fewer employees, to \$17 on January 2025, \$18 on January 1, 2026.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact:</b> State and local government costs could increase or decrease up to hundreds of millions of dollars annually. State and local revenues would likely decrease by no more than a few hundred million dollars annually.</p>	<p>Immediately raise the minimum to \$17 for places with 26+ employees then again to \$18 on Jan. 1, 2025</p> <p>For places with 26 or fewer, the same increases but the first (\$17) would start Jan. 1, 2025 and \$18 on Jan. 1, 2026</p>	<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES</p> <p>CA Labor Federation, Unite Here, One Fair Wage, Working Families Party CA, United Farm Workers, CA Democratic Party, Leave of Women Voters CA, Mercury News/East Bay Time, SF Chronicle, LA Times</p> <p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO</p> <p>CA Chamber of Commerce, CA Restaurant Association, CA Grocers Association, CA Republican Party, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, Bakersfield Californian, Pasadena Star-News</p>
<p><b>MORE DETAILS</b></p> <p>Raises the minimum wage statewide to attempt to keep up with inflation. Starting 2027, minimum wage will be tied to inflation.</p>		

## G. State Measure / Proposition 33

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
<p>Repeals Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995, which currently prohibits local ordinances limiting initial residential rental rates for new tenants or rent increases for existing tenants in certain residential properties.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact:</b> Reduction in local property tax revenues of at least tens of millions of dollars annually due to likely expansion of rent control in some communities.</p>	<p>Allow local governments to enact rent control ordinances.</p>	<p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES</p> <p>CA Nurses Association, CA Alliance for Retired Americans, Mental Health Advocacy, Coalition for Economic Survival, TenantsTogether</p> <p>PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO</p> <p>CA Council for Affordable Housing, Women Veterans Alliance, CA Chamber of Commerce</p>
<p><b>MORE DETAILS</b></p>		

Some places (LA & SF, notably) can enact rent control measures. Costa-Hawkins does *not* allow rent control on houses and apartments built after 1995. In addition, if a person leaves a rent-controlled property, landlords can enact any rent they want for the new tenants.

## H. State Measure / Proposition 34

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
Requires certain providers to spend 98% of revenues from federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Authorizes statewide negotiation on Medi-Cal drug prices.	Require some providers to spend 98% of revenue on patient care	PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES  The ALS Association, CA Chronic Care Coalition, Latino Heritage LA
<b>Fiscal Impacts:</b> Increased state costs, likely in the millions of dollars annually, to enforce new rules on certain health care entities. Affected entities would pay to cover these costs.		PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO  National Org. For Women, Consumer Watchdog, Coalition for Economic Survival, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Dolores Huerta
<b>MORE DETAILS</b>  Since 1992, federal law has mandated that, in exchange for serving low-income and at-risk patients, providers get a discount on pharmaceutical drugs. Providers can then sell the drugs at retail prices.  This proposition only targets one provider: The AIDS Healthcare Foundation. Essentially, The AIDS Foundation spends most of the money it raises from using the Federal discount drug program to offer low-income housing. The Foundation is outspoken in state and local housing politics and some people don't like this. As best as anyone can tell, this prop is meant to punish the Foundation.		

## I. State Measure / Proposition 35

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
Makes permanent existing tax on managed health care insurance plans, which, if approved by the federal government, provides revenues to pay for Medi-Cal health care services.	Requires California to spend tax revenue from health care plans on Medi-Cal. Medi-Cal offers low-income individuals and people with disabilities with health care.	PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES  Planned Parenthood Affiliates of CA, American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists, American Academy of Pediatrics, CA Democratic Party, CA Republican Party
<b>Fiscal Impact:</b> Short-term state costs between roughly \$1 billion and \$2 billion annually to increase funding for certain health programs. Total funding increase between \$2 billion to \$ billion annually. Unknown long-term fiscal effects.		PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO  League of Women Voters of CA, CA Pan-Ethnic Health Network, Mercury News, LA Times

MORE DETAILS
Newsom says that even if the voters want this, he'll oppose it because it <i>requires</i> the state to spend the money on Medi-Cal. He says it will make balancing the budget more difficult.

J. State Measure / Proposition 36

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	PLAIN ENGLISH	
Allows felony charges for possessing certain drugs and for thefts under \$950, if defendant has two prior drug or theft convictions.  <b>Fiscal Impact:</b> State criminal justice costs likely ranging from several tens of millions of dollars to the low hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Local criminal justice costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually	Change some misdemeanor theft and drug crimes as felonies. Creates new category – “Treatment-mandated felony” – where the person can do treatment instead of going to prison.	PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE YES  Crime Victims United of CA, CA District Attorneys Association, Family Business Association of CA
		PEOPLE THAT WANT YOU TO VOTE NO  Diana Becton, District Attorney Contra Costa County, Crime Survivors for safety and Justice
MORE DETAILS		
In 2004, CA voted to make some drug charges misdemeanors instead of felonies to combat prison overcrowding. Big box stores, prosecutors, and police blame the 2004 proposition for higher homelessness and theft – especially during the pandemic. Voting yes on prop 36 this year would return CA to 2004 drug policies.		