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From Marijuana to the Death Penalty: What Nonprofits & Philanthropy Need to Know About California's Ballot Propositions

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Policy Director
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Agenda

• Legislative Update  
  Nancy Berlin, Policy Director, California Association of Nonprofits

• The Ballot Proposition Picture  
  Jan Masaoka, CEO, CalNonprofits

• Which propositions are most critical to the nonprofit community, and how can we be thinking about them?  
  • Nancy Berlin, Policy Director, California Association of Nonprofits  
  • Melissa Breach, Executive Director, League of Women Voters in California  
  • Chris Hoene, Executive Director, California Budget and Policy Center

• Close
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Nancy Berlin
Policy Director
CalNonprofits
The California Law-Making Tug of War

GUN CONTROL

MINIMUM WAGE
BALLOT PROPOSITIONS OVERVIEW

17 state propositions
PROPOSITION 55: Tax Extension to Fund Education & Healthcare

Extension of the Proposition 30 income tax increase on high income taxpayers

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<td>$46 million</td>
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**PROPOSITION 54: Public Display of Bills Prior to Vote**

**Proposition 54:**
Require that every bill is published in print and online at least 72 hours before each house of the legislature can vote on it

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| California Republican Party  
Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assoc.  
League of Women Voters of California  
California Association of Nonprofits | California Democratic Party  
California Labor Federation |
| $7.9 million Charles Munger | $0 |
TAKING POSITIONS ON PROPOSITIONS AND VOTER MOBILIZATION

YES, you can lobby on Ballot Measures

1. Publicly endorse or oppose measures
2. Organize volunteers to gather signatures
3. Pay staff to gather signatures
4. Contribute or loan money to campaigns
5. Host campaign events
6. Register voters and encourage them to vote yes or no on a specific measure
7. Propose and draft a ballot measure
Compliance

1. Do not support or oppose candidates.
2. Measure and report lobbying activities.
   - Insubstantial Part Test (measures the percent of activity an organization spends on lobbying)  OR
   - 501 (h) Expenditure Test (measures how much money an organization spends on lobbying)
Impact without Lobbying

1. Register voters (staff, clients, members, etc.)
2. Provide unbiased education on ballot measures
   1. Vote with your mission
   2. Voter’s Edge California widget [www.votersedge.org/ca](http://www.votersedge.org/ca)
   3. Easy Voter Guide [easyvoterguide.org](http://easyvoterguide.org)
   4. Pros and Cons presentations [cavotes.org](http://cavotes.org)
3. Support voter turnout
4. Vote
Can nonprofits & foundations take positions on state and local ballot measures?

Nonprofit VOTE
www.nonprofitvote.org


BOLDER ADVOCACY
An initiative of Alliance for Justice

http://www.bolderadvocacy.org/navigate-the-rules/ballot-measures

**PROPOSITION 64: Legalizing recreational marijuana**

Legalizes recreational marijuana and hemp under state law and establishes certain sales and cultivation taxes

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<td>California Assn. of Highway Patrolmen</td>
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<td>National Latino Officers Association</td>
<td>Senator Dianne Feinstein</td>
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<td>$4.1 million Sean Parker and affiliates</td>
<td>$264,000 Smart Approaches to Marijuana</td>
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<td>$2 million Fund for Policy Reform</td>
<td>$25,000 California Teamsters</td>
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Propositions 62 and 66:
If both pass, the one with the most “yes” votes would supercede the other.

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| **For:** Calif Democratic Party  
MALDEF, ACLU  
$1 million Reed Hastings (Netflix)  
$1 million Nick McKeown | **For:** Calif Republican Party  
Calif District Attorneys Assn  
$751,000 Calif peace officers assns |
| **Against:** Calif Republican Party  
Calif District Attorneys Association  
$75,000 Peace officer associations | **Against:** Calif Democratic Party  
California Labor Federation  
$281,000 ACLUs |
**Proposition 59:**
Instructs California elected officials use their authority to overturn the Citizens United decision, potentially through an amendment to the U.S. Constitution

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California Common Cause | Los Angeles Times  
League of Women Voters of California |
| $62,000 NextGen CA  
$61,000 Tom Steyer | $0 |
**SPEED ROUND!**

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<th>Tobacco tax increase</th>
<th>Increases the cigarette tax by $2.00 per pack, with equivalent increases on other tobacco products and electronic cigarettes</th>
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<th>Bi-lingual education</th>
<th>Allows non-English languages to be used in classrooms (when teaching English for example)</th>
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| Prop 52 | Hospital fee revenue to Medi-Cal  
Would require voter approval (now: legislature) to change use of certain hospital fees from being used to match federal money to fund Medi-Cal services |
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<td>Parole for non-violent criminals, and procedures for assigning cases to juvenile or adult court</td>
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<th>Require voter approval for revenue bonds of more than $2 billion</th>
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<td>Require condoms for actors in pornographic films</td>
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<td>Prop 61</td>
<td>Drug price standards</td>
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| Prop 65 & Prop 67 | Plastic bags  
65: money from bag sales to go to wildlife fund  
67: ratify ban on plastic bags |       |        |
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<td>Background checks for ammunition purchases and ban on large-capacity ammunition magazines</td>
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<td><strong>Prop 51</strong></td>
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<td>School facility bonds</td>
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<td>$9 million in general obligation bonds</td>
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LOOKING FOR RESOURCES?

Get the facts before you vote.

www.votersedge.org

www.ballotpedia.org

http://www.calnonprofits.org/programs/voteyourmission
Thank you for joining us!

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