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# LA COUNTY VOTER AWARENESS GUIDE

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## **PROP 14: AUTHORIZES BONDS TO CONTINUE STEM CELL RESEARCH**

Authorizes \$5.5 billion state bonds for: stem cell and other medical research, including training; research facility construction; administrative costs. Dedicates \$1.5 billion to brain-related diseases. Appropriates General Fund moneys for repayment. Expands related programs. Fiscal Impact: Increased state costs to repay bonds estimated at about \$260 million per year over the next roughly 30 years.

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**PROP 15: INCREASES FUNDING SOURCES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES BY CHANGING TAX ASSESSMENT OF COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY**

Taxes such properties based on current market value, instead of purchase price. Fiscal Impact: Increased property taxes on commercial properties worth more than \$3 million providing \$6.5 billion to \$11.5 billion in new funding to local governments and schools.

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## **PROP 16: ALLOW DIVERSITY AS A FACTOR IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, AND CONTRACTING DECISIONS**

Permits government decision-making policies to consider race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in order to address diversity by repealing constitutional provision prohibiting such policies.

Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal effect on state and local entities. The effects of the measure depend on the future choices of state and local government entities and are highly uncertain.

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## **PROP 17: RESTORES RIGHT TO VOTE AFTER COMPLETION OF PRISON TERM**

Restores voting rights upon completion of prison term to persons who have been disqualified from voting while serving a prison term. Fiscal Impact: Annual county costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars statewide, for voter registration and ballot materials. One-time state costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, for voter registration cards and systems.

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**AMENDS CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION  
TO PERMIT 17-YEAR-OLDS TO VOTE IN  
PRIMARY AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS IF  
THEY WILL TURN 18 BY THE NEXT  
GENERAL ELECTION AND BE  
OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE**

Proposition 18 would authorize a United States citizen who is 17 years of age, is a resident of California, and will be at least 18 years of age at the time of the next general election to vote in any primary or special election that occurs before the next general election in which the citizen would be eligible to vote if at least 18 years of age.

Fiscal Impact: Increased statewide county costs likely between several hundreds of thousands of dollars and \$1 million every two years. Increased one-time costs to the state of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

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## **PROP 19: CHANGES CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX RULES**

Allows homeowners who are over 55, disabled, or wildfire/disaster victims to transfer primary residence's tax base to replacement residence. Changes taxation of family-property transfers. Establishes fire protection services fund. Fiscal Impact: Local governments could gain tens of millions of dollars of property tax revenue per year, probably growing over time to a few hundred million dollars per year. Schools could receive similar property tax gains.

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**PROP 20: RESTRICTS PAROLE FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES CURRENTLY CONSIDERED TO BE NON-VIOLENT. AUTHORIZES FELONY SENTENCES FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES CURRENTLY TREATED ONLY AS MISDEMEANORS**

Limits access to parole programs established for non-violent offenders who have completed the full term of their primary offense by eliminating eligibility for certain offenses. Fiscal Impact: Increase in state and local correctional, court, and law enforcement costs likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually, depending on implementation.

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## **PROP 21: EXPANDS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' AUTHORITY TO ENACT RENT CONTROL ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY**

Allows local governments to establish rent control on residential properties over 15 years old. Local limits on rate increases may differ from statewide limits. Fiscal Impact:

Overall, a potential reduction in state and local revenues in the high tens of millions of dollars per year over time. Depending on actions by local communities, revenue losses could be less or more.

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**PROP 22: EXEMPTS APP-BASED  
TRANSPORTATION AND DELIVERY  
COMPANIES FROM PROVIDING EMPLOYEE  
BENEFITS TO CERTAIN DRIVERS.**

Classifies app-based drivers as “independent contractors,” instead of “employees,” and provides independent-contractor drivers other compensation, unless certain criteria are met. Fiscal Impact: Minor increase in state income taxes paid by rideshare and delivery company drivers and investors.

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**PROP 23: ESTABLISHES STATE REQUIREMENTS FOR KIDNEY DIALYSIS CLINICS. REQUIRES ON-SITE MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL**

Requires physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant on site during dialysis treatment.

Prohibits clinics from reducing services without state approval. Prohibits clinics from refusing to treat patients based on payment source. Fiscal Impact: Increased state and local government costs likely in the low tens of millions of dollars annually.

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## **PROP 24: AMENDS CONSUMER PRIVACY LAWS**

Permits consumers to: prevent businesses from sharing personal information, correct inaccurate personal information, and limit businesses' use of "sensitive personal information," including precise geolocation, race, ethnicity, and health information. Establishes California Privacy Protection Agency. Fiscal Impact: Increased annual state costs of at least \$10 million, but unlikely exceeding low tens of millions of dollars, to enforce expanded consumer privacy laws. Some costs would be offset by penalties for violating these laws.

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## **PROP 25: REFERENDUM ON LAW THAT REPLACED MONEY BAIL WITH SYSTEM BASED ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND FLIGHT RISK**

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## PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES



**DONALD J. TRUMP**  
REPUBLICAN



**JOSEPH "JOE" BIDEN JR.**  
DEMOCRAT

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## PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ABORTION

### TRUMP

"Protect unborn life through any means available"

"President Trump worked with the Congress to sign a bill overturning an Obama midnight regulation that prohibited States from defunding abortion service providers. The Trump Administration published guidance which promises to enforce the Obamacare requirement that taxpayer dollars should not support abortion coverage in exchange plans."

### BIDEN

"Biden will restore federal funding for Planned Parenthood"

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"Aggressively enforce existing civil rights laws for people with disabilities, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Fair Housing Act, the Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act, the Rehabilitation Act, the Help America Vote Act, and the Air Carrier Access Act."



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## PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES CORONAVIRUS

### TRUMP

"The Trump Administration declared a National Emergency, providing over \$42 billion in existing funding in resources and protective measures to state, local, and tribal communities."

"The Department of Homeland Security announced an extension of its partnership with national pharmacy and grocery retail chains to continue to provide access to COVID-19 testing."

### BIDEN

"Biden will invest \$25 billion in a vaccine manufacturing and distribution plan that will guarantee it gets to every American, cost-free."

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### TRUMP

"Prosecute Drive-By Shootings as Acts of Domestic Terrorism"

"Department of Justice Announces Reinvigoration of Project Safe Neighborhoods to Provide a Framework for Violent Crime Reduction."

### BIDEN

"Biden will reinvigorate the Community Oriented Policing Services program with a \$300 million investment. As a condition of the grant, hiring of police officers must mirror the racial diversity of the community they serve."

"Biden will end the federal government's use of private prisons, building off an Obama-Biden Administration's policy rescinded by the Trump Administration. And, he will make clear that the federal government should not use private facilities for any detention, including detention of undocumented immigrants."

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## PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENT / ENERGY

### TRUMP

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"President Trump and his administration acted aggressively to increase exports of energy resources to the global market which allowed financing for coal and fossil energy projects."

### BIDEN

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## PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES GUNS

### TRUMP

"President Trump Made Secretary DeVos in Charge of a Commission to Look at Longer Term Solutions, Including Age Restriction on Certain Firearm Purchases"

"President Trump signed the Fix NICS Act into law in 2018, strengthening the background check system to ensure that guns are kept out of the hands of criminals."

### BIDEN

"Biden supports barring states from using federal dollars to arm or train educators to discharge firearms."

"Biden will create a \$900 million, eight-year initiative to fund evidence-based interventions in 40 cities across the country – the 20 cities with the highest number of homicides, and 20 cities with the highest number of homicides per capita."



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## U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - CALIFORNIA 29TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



**TONY CARDENAS**  
DEMOCRAT



**ANGÉLICA MARÍA DUEÑAS**  
DEMOCRAT

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**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - CALIFORNIA  
29TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
ECONOMY**

**CARDENAS**

"By creating a healthy business environment and finding different grants and organizations to help build small businesses, we will grow Valley-owned businesses that employ workers that live in the San Fernando Valley."

**DUEÑAS**

"WE will help provide small business incentives such as subsidies and tax credits to small local businesses making less than \$500,000 a year in revenue and less than 10 full-time employees."



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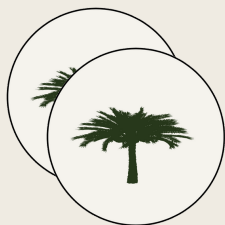
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### CARDENAS

"Congressman Tony Cárdenas is committed to finding ways to attract businesses to open up shop in the Valley and train our workforce for the next generation of jobs. He is working to find opportunities to bring more manufacturing jobs to the Valley."

### DUEÑAS

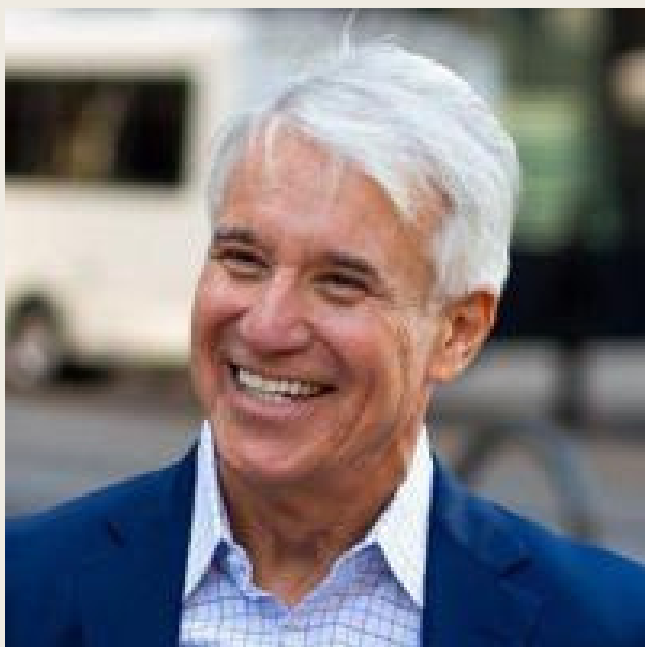
"WE will fight for \$15/hr federal indexed minimum wage, which is currently \$7.25/hr."



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## LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY



**GEORGE GASCON**  
**NONPARTISAN**



**JACKIE LACEY**  
**NONPARTISAN**

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## LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY

### GASCON

"Where a survivor wishes to participate, and where the court allows it, my office will advocate for victims of uncharged sex assault cases to have the opportunity to deliver a victim impact statement at the sentencing of a serial assailant charged in another case."

### LACEY

"I support the Governor and the State Legislature in their effort to ban the use of private prisons in California. Corporate executives and shareholders should not be profiting from putting people in cages, and it's time to end the archaic and cruel practice of private prisons in California and pass AB 32."



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## LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY

### GASCON

"Beyond using the traditional powers of the District Attorney's office to prosecute polluters, Gascón is committed to diverting public funds away from jails and applying them towards public goods like parks in environmental deserts."

### LACEY

"In a time of increasing climate catastrophes, Lacey has been dedicated to prosecuting environmental crimes, most notably by reinvigorating the DA's Environmental Crimes Division and launching a program that dispatches prosecutors and investigators to industrial incidents involving occupational deaths and environmental threats, designed to enhanced the preservation of evidence during the early stages of an investigation. These units helped yield better quality cases, aiding the prosecution of those who violate environmental laws and helping to hold them accountable."

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