

# WISEBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION INFORMATION BOOKLET

**June 12, 2007**



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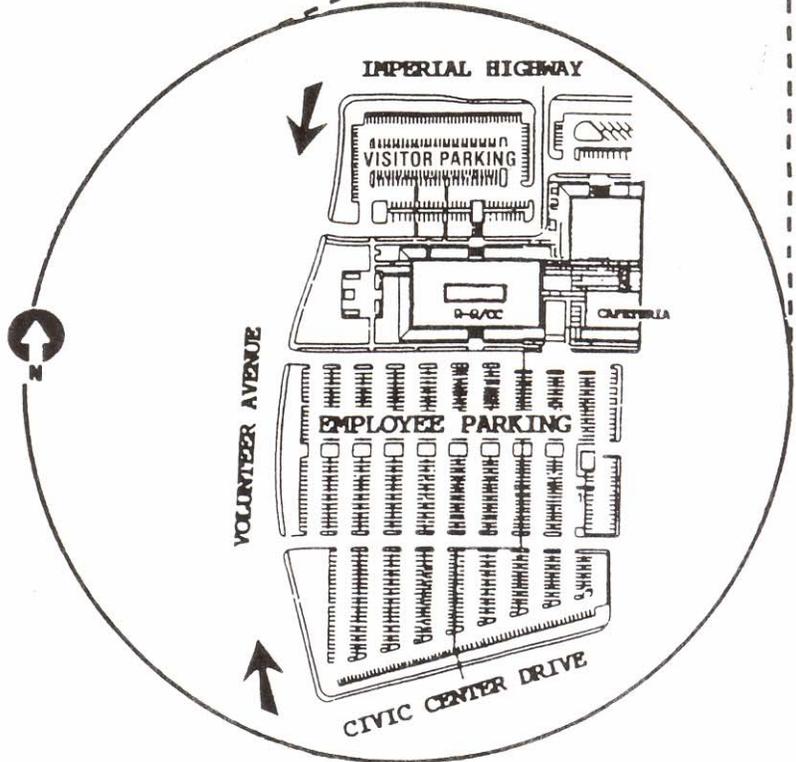
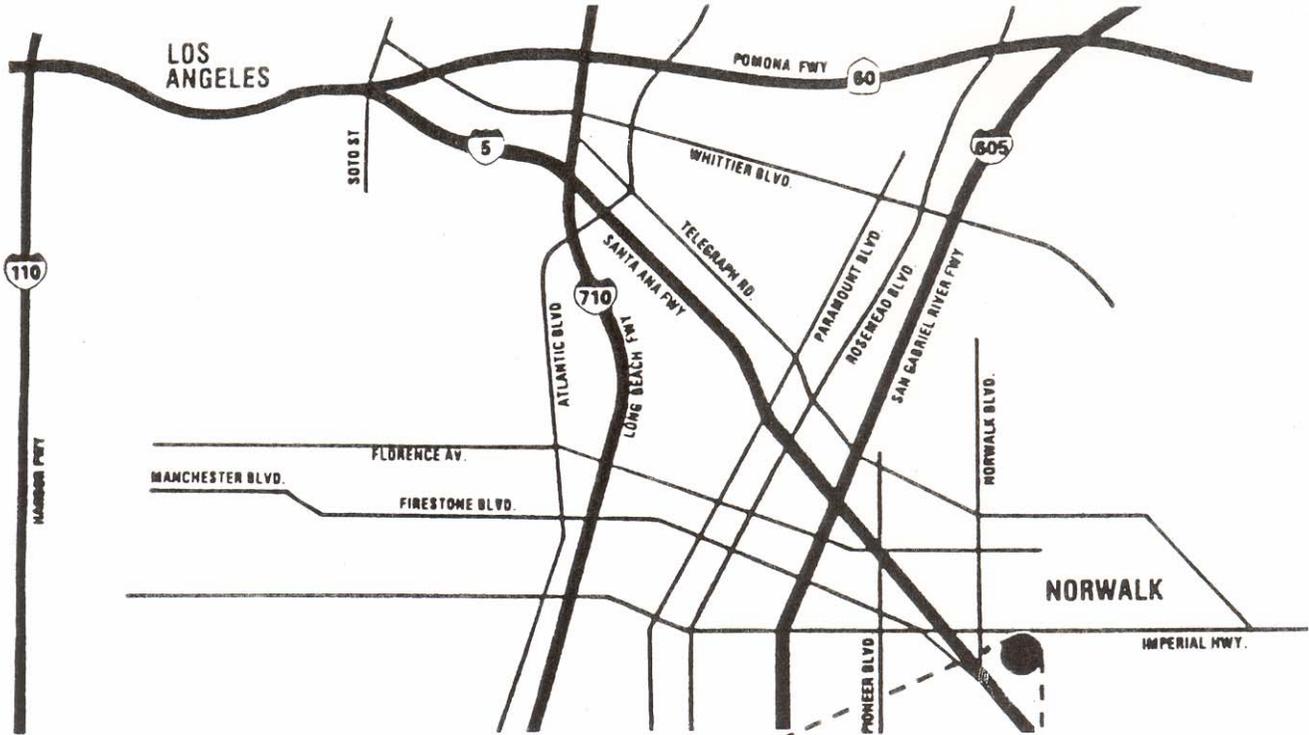
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# **Chapter 1**

**General Information**



## GENERAL INFORMATION

Pursuant to Ed. Code § 5303, the county elections official shall perform the duties incident to the preparation for, and holding of, all district elections. In districts situated in two or more counties, or in elections to organize or reorganize districts in territory situated in two or more counties, the county elections officials in the counties in which any part of the district territory is situated, shall, by mutual agreement, provide for the performance of those duties.

Districts intending to conduct Special Bond Measure Elections should notify the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) of their intentions **120 days prior** to the election and furnish the RR/CC with signed copies of the Resolution "Calling the Election" and "Requesting Consolidation and/or Election Support Services" by **88 days** prior to the election. The Resolution should include purpose of election (**i.e., submitting Bond Measure question to electors**), Ballot Measure Text (**not to exceed 75 words including title**) and the vote requirement for Measure passage (**i.e., majority of votes cast; 2/3 votes cast; 55 % votes cast**). **The Resolution must state that the District will reimburse the County for costs incurred.**

Election Resolutions and Letter Designation requests for elections should be addressed to **Conny B. McCormack, Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk** and be faxed/mailed to:

**Election Coordination Section  
12400 E. Imperial Highway, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room 3207  
Norwalk, California 90650  
Phone: (562) 462-2626      FAX: (562) 466-2658**

Ballot Argument Enclosure materials, including Arguments and Rebuttals must be accompanied by a transmittal letter and DELIVERED by the applicable dates and times indicated in the Calendar of Events to the:

**Election Planning Section  
12400 E. Imperial Highway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 2015  
Norwalk, California 90650  
Phone: (562) 462-2317      FAX: (562) 466-6025**

### NOTICE

This Information Booklet has been prepared to assist you in filing documents relating to the Election(s). It includes a Calendar of Events and summary of provisions and filing requirements. It is not intended to provide legal advice and is for general guidance only.

Individuals using this Information Booklet must bear full responsibility to make their own determinations as to all legal standards, duties and factual material contained therein.

Please contact the **Election Planning (OR) Election Coordination Section at the telephone numbers listed above**, if you need additional assistance or have further questions after reviewing the Information Booklet.



# Chapter 2

Calendar of Events



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WISEBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION

JUNE 12, 2007

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

All documents are to be filed with and duties performed by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk unless otherwise specified.

DATES	EVENTS
<b>MAR. 16 (F)</b> E - 88	<p><b>ADOPT SPECIAL MEASURE ELECTION RESOLUTION</b> Last day for governing boards to adopt resolution calling special election and setting forth the specifications of the election order. Copies shall be filed with the elections official. (Ed. Code § 5322)</p> <p><b>CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTIONS</b> Last day for local jurisdictions to file a resolution with the Board of Supervisors requesting consolidation with the election. A copy of the resolution must be filed with the elections official. (E. C. §§ 10400, 10402, 10403 &amp; Ed. Code § 5342)</p> <p><b>STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT</b> Last day for jurisdiction to file statement of bond issue with the elections official. (E. C. § 9401)</p>
<b>MAR. 21 (W)</b> E - 83	<p><b>AMENDMENT OR WITHDRAWAL OF MEASURE – DEADLINE</b> Last day for county elections official to receive a resolution from a legislative body requesting to withdraw or amend a measure previously submitted for placement on the ballot. (E.C. § 9605)</p> <p><b>MEASURE LETTER DESIGNATION</b> Last day for a jurisdiction to request a specific letter designation in writing for a measure appearing on the ballot. An alternate choice should be submitted in case the requested designation has already been assigned.</p>

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**DATES**

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**EVENTS**

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**MAR. 23 (F)**

E - 81

**DATE FIXED TO SUBMIT ARGUMENTS – PUBLICATION**

Not later than this date a notice shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the district, setting forth the date fixed for submitting arguments for or against a county, school or district measure.

(E. C. §§ 9163, 9502 & Govt. Code § 6061)

**NOTE:** A copy of the published notice shall be delivered to the District Secretary/Superintendent and each notice shall be posted in the district office.

(E.C. § 12113)

**MAR. 26 (M)**

E - 78

**ARGUMENTS – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT**

Last day to submit arguments for or against any county, district or school measure. Arguments may not exceed 300 words in length.

(E.C. §§ 9162, 9163, 9315, 9316, 9501 & 9502)

**EXCEPTION:** These provisions do not apply to a measure on school district reorganization.

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT**

Recommended last day for County Counsel to transmit impartial analysis of any county, district or school measure.

(E. C. §§ 9160, 9313 & 9500)

**MAR. 27 (Tu)**

E - 77

**APR. 5 (Th)**

E - 68

**PUBLIC EXAMINATION PERIOD FOR BALLOT MEASURE MATERIALS**

During this period the elections official shall make available for public examination a copy of any ballot measure text, arguments, impartial analysis and the bond statement for any county, district or school measure. A fee may be charged to any person obtaining a copy of the materials. During this period any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material to be amended or deleted.

(E. C. §§ 9190, 9380 & 9509)

<b>DATES</b>		<b>EVENTS</b>
<b>APR. 5 (Th)</b> E - 68		<b>REBUTTALS – LAST DAY TO SUBMIT</b> Last day for authors of arguments for or against a county, school or district measure to submit rebuttals. Rebuttals may not exceed <b>250</b> words in length. (E.C. §§ 9167, 9317 & 9504)
<b>APR. 6 (F)</b> E - 67	<b>APR. 16 (M)</b> E - 57	<b>PUBLIC EXAMINATION PERIOD FOR REBUTTALS</b> During this period rebuttals for measures shall be available for public examination. A fee may be charged to any person obtaining a copy of the material. During this period any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material/data to be amended or deleted. (E.C. §§ 9190, 9380 & 9509)
<b>MAY 3 (Th)</b> E - 40	<b>MAY 22 (Tu)</b> E - 21	<b>MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS</b> A sample ballot shall be mailed to all voters during this period of not more than 40 or less than 21 days preceding the election. (E.C. § 13303)
<b>MAY 14 (M)</b> E - 29	<b>JUNE 5 (Tu)</b> E - 7	<b>ABSENT VOTERS – FIRST AND LAST DAY TO APPLY</b> Applications may be filed between these dates (both dates inclusive). Applications received prior to the 29 <sup>th</sup> day preceding the election will be kept and processed during this period. (E.C. §§ 3001 & 3003)
<b>MAY 14 (M)</b> E - 29		<b>PRECINCT OFFICERS AND POLLING PLACES – APPOINTMENT</b> Last day to appoint precinct officers and designate polling places. A notice of appointment shall be mailed to each precinct officer. (E. C. §§ 12286, 12307 & 12319)

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**DATES****EVENTS**

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**MAY 29\* (Tu)**

E - 14\*

**REGISTRATION CLOSES**

Last day to transfer or register to vote in the election.  
(E. C. §§ 2102 & 2107)

**MAY 29 (Tu)**

E - 14

**JUNE 5 (Tu)**

E - 7

**NEW CITIZEN REGISTRATION/VOTING**

Between these dates any new citizen (a person who meets all requirements of an elector and has become a U. S. citizen. After the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to election but on or before the 7<sup>th</sup> day prior to that election) is eligible to register and vote at this office. New citizen must provide proof of citizenship prior to voting.  
(E. C. §§ 331, 332 & 3500 - 3503)

**MAY 29 (Tu)**

E - 14

**BILINGUAL PRECINCT OFFICER LIST**

Last day to prepare list of appointed bilingual precinct officers.  
(E.C. § 12303)

**JUNE 4\* (M)**

E - 8\*

**TALLY CENTER LOCATION – PUBLICATION**

On or before this date a notice specifying the public place to be used as the tally center location for counting the ballots shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation within the district.  
(E. C. § 12109)

**JUNE 5 (Tu)**

E - 7

**POLLING PLACES – PUBLICATION**

Not later than this date, a list of polling places for each precinct shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation within the district.  
(E. C. § 12105 & Govt. Code § 6061)

**CANVASS ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS**

The canvass may commence on the 7<sup>th</sup> day before the election but the results of the tally shall not be released until after the polls close.  
(E. C. § 15101)

\*Date adjusted due to weekend and/or holiday

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**DATES**

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**EVENTS**

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<b>JUNE 6 (W)</b> E - 6	<b>JUNE 12 (Tu)</b> ELECTION DAY	<b>EMERGENCY ABSENT VOTING</b> Between these dates any voter may apply for an absentee ballot if conditions require his or her absence from the precinct on election day. The voter may designate an authorized representative to pick up and return the ballot. (E. C. § 3021)
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<b>JUNE 12 (Tu)</b> ELECTION DAY	<b>ELECTION DAY</b> Polls open 7 A. M., close 8 P.M. (E. C. § 14212)  <b>ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS RETURNED – 8 P.M.</b> Last day for absent voter ballots to be received or turned in personally by the voter to the County Elections Official's office or at any polling place in the jurisdiction. A designated family member or person residing in the same household may return the voted ballot under specified conditions. (E. C. §§ 3017 & 3020)  <b>DEFACING OF UNUSED BALLOTS</b> At 8 p.m. immediately after the polls close, commence defacing or sealing all unused ballots and file an affidavit of the number of ballots destroyed or sealed. (E. C. §§ 14403 & 14404)
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<b>JUNE 14 (Tu)</b> E + 2	<b>CANVASS ELECTION RETURNS</b> The canvass of returns shall commence not later than the first Thursday following the election. (E. C. § 15301)
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<b>JUNE 26 (Tu)</b> E + 14	<b>COMPLETION OF OFFICIAL CANVASS</b> The official canvass must be completed within 28 days of the election. The legal deadline for County Elections Official to certify the election result is July 10. (E. C. § 15372)  <b>NOTE:</b> On <b>June 25</b> , the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is tentatively scheduled to certify the election results. On <b>June 26</b> , the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to declare the election results official.
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# **Chapter 3**

## **Ballot Measures**





**BALLOT MEASURES (continued)**

**EXAMPLES: How Ballot Measures Text will appear in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet:**

**Measure D – Official Ballot Measure Text (75 words)**

XYZ UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION JUNE 5, 2007		
Measure D		
NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS HEALTH, SAFETY, REPAIR MEASURE: To improve education, retain and attract quality teachers by repairing, upgrading outdate classrooms, restrooms, plumbing, roofing lighting electrical systems, libraries, improving safety, security, campuses, fire, removal of hazardous materials, improving handicapped student accessibility, increasing earthquake-safe classrooms, renovating, acquiring, constructing, repairing, equipping classrooms, science labs, neighborhood schools, sites, facilities, shall XYZ Unified School District issue \$218,000,000 of bonds at legal rates, with annual audits, independent oversights, and no money for administrators' salaries?	<b>YES</b>	<input type="radio"/>
	<b>NO</b>	<input type="radio"/>

**Measure G – Official Ballot Measure Text (73 words)**

ANY SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION JUNE 5, 2007		
Measure G		
To improve student safety, security, and learning by repairing and upgrading every school through repairing roofs, upgrading plumbing, Heating/ventilation systems and electrical wiring for technology, installing fire detection equipment providing increased disable access, equipping classrooms, retiring facility debt facilitating joint use projects and Constructing and equipping new school facilities, shall the Any School District issue \$ 20,000,000 in bonds at legal rates with guaranteed annual financial audits, citizens' oversight and No money for administrators' salaries	<b>YES</b>	<input type="radio"/>
	<b>NO</b>	<input type="radio"/>

**LETTER DESIGNATIONS FOR MEASURES** — The RR/CC, in accordance with Section 13116 of the Elections Code, will assign Letter Designations for each Local Measure on the Ballot. Letter Designations are assigned in alphabetical order commencing with Local County Measures, City, School and Special District Measures listed in alphabetical sequence. A local School District may request a specific Letter Designation in writing by **E-83 days before election**. Alternate choice(s) should also be submitted, in case the requested designation has already been assigned to another School District. Specific Letter Designation requests are processed in the order they are received. The RR/CC will notify the jurisdiction by **E-78** if the requested designation is assigned or if another letter assignment has been made.

**LITIGATION** — Notify the RR/CC of any pending litigation involving Ballot Measures that might potentially cause any delay in meeting established deadlines or printing of Official Sample Ballot Booklets.

**WITHDRAWAL AND/OR AMENDMENTS** — The School District should file a resolution with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk by **E-83**, to amend a measure or if an election is being cancelled because a measure has been withdrawn. (E. C. § 9605)

# **Chapter 4**

## **Ballot Enclosures**



## BALLOT ENCLOSURES

**TEXT AND TITLES** — Ballot Enclosures for Arguments, Rebuttals, etc. are printed in the voter information portion of the Official Sample Ballot Booklet immediately behind candidate and measure contest pages. Copies of Ballot Enclosures to be printed in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet should be submitted as attachments to the “Resolution Calling the Election” or as a separate mailing. Submitted attachments should be clearly identified by appropriate Ballot Enclosure Titles as shown on Chart, Page 10.

**FORMAT AND STYLE** — Please type Enclosure Text in upper and lower case letters. It is acceptable for some words or phrases to be **bold**, underlined, CAPITALIZED. Hyphens/dashes are allowed. The beginning of each paragraph may also be highlighted as shown in example. Enclosures will be typeset in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet using DUTCH801 Rm BT font in 10 point size. However, Enclosures may be submitted using any standard font.

Argument and/or Rebuttal Enclosures Text is printed in “block” paragraphs, which means each paragraph will start on the left and the right margins will be justified. A double space will appear between paragraphs, as shown in the example below.

**EXAMPLE:** How Argument and/or Rebuttal Text will appear in the Official Sample Ballots Booklets.

**ARGUMENT AND/OR REBUTTAL  
FOR MEASURE K**

Our children need and deserve Measure K.

**Measure K** will continue to progress to repair, build and improve Any City neighborhood schools. Over 23 new schools and expansion projects are completed or under construction.

**Measure K** will create learning communities and improve technology to prepare student for jobs of the future.

Vote for Measure K for the Kids.

PATTY C. JONES  
Mayor, Any City, USA

JOHN JAMES SMITH  
Councilmember, Any City, USA

MARY SMITH-DOE  
Businessperson, Any City, USA

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**BALLOT ENCLOSURES** (continued)

**BALLOT ENCLOSURE TITLES AND WORD LIMITATIONS CHART** — Are to be used for submitting correct titles and word counts for Ballot Argument Enclosures.

See Page 14 of this Chapter for Word Counting Guidelines.

TITLE	WORD LIMITATION	WORDS BOLD, UNDERLINED AND/OR CAPITALIZED
FULL TEXT OF BALLOT MEASURE	NO LIMIT	N/A
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE	300	30
ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE	300	30
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE – RE SCHOOL DISTRICT REORGANIZATION	500*	30
REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE	250	25
REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE	250	25
MEASURE EXHIBIT(S)	NO LIMIT	N/A
STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE - MEASURE	NO LIMIT	N/A

\*Exception: Ballot arguments to reorganize a School or Community College Districts shall not exceed 500 words. (Ed. C. Sec. 35758)

**ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL FORM** — Will be used by authors for submitting Measure “FOR or AGAINST” opinions.

Ballot Argument Text shall not exceed 300 words in length.

**Exception:** Ballot Arguments to reorganize a school or community college district shall not exceed 500 words. See chart above.

No rebuttal shall exceed 250 words.

**Exception:** Rebuttals for County, School and General District Measures all need authorizations signed by the original authors of the Argument. An original signer on an Argument cannot authorize more than one signer on the Rebuttal.

All authors for submitted Ballot Arguments must sign Declaration on the reverse side of this form. See form example at top of Page 11.



**ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL FORM**

ELECTION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ MEASURE I.D. (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

JURISDICTION: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please mark (x) in the appropriate box)

<input type="checkbox"/> Argument in Favor	<input type="checkbox"/> Argument Against
<input type="checkbox"/> Rebuttal to Argument Against	<input type="checkbox"/> Rebuttal to Argument in Favor

Statements will be printed in uniform type, style and spacing. Use block paragraphs and single space format. Text submitted indented or centered will be typeset in block paragraph form. **Entire statements in all capital letters are not acceptable. Indentations, circles, stars, dots, italics and/or bullets cannot be accommodated.** However, you may use dashes/hyphens. Words to be printed in **boldface type, underscored** and/or **CAPITALIZED** are to be clearly indicated. Any combinations of enhanced words are counted as one word. The number of words/acronyms that are in **boldface type, underscored** and/or **CAPITALIZED** shall not exceed 30 words per document. All statements should be checked by the authors for spelling and punctuation as the elections official is not permitted to edit any material contained therein.

**ALL AUTHORS MUST SIGN ON THE REVERSE SIDE**

Please type statements below in upper and lower case letters. Statement will be typeset in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet using DUTCH801 Rm BT font in 10 point size. However, statement can be submitted using any standard font.

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**BALLOT ENCLOSURES** (continued)

**DECLARATION BY AUTHOR(S) OF ARGUMENTS OR REBUTTALS** — Are to be completed by proponents or opponents for Ballot Measures.

This form includes statement (to be signed by each proponent/author) declaring that the submitted Argument and/or Rebuttal is true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Fill in the appropriate fields and provide information as indicated on the form.

No more than five author signatures shall appear on any Argument and/or Rebuttal.

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**SELECTION OF ARGUMENT** — If more than one Argument “FOR” or more than one Argument “AGAINST” any school measure is submitted within the time prescribed, the election official conducting the election shall select one of the Arguments In Favor and one of the Arguments Against the Measure for printing and distribution to the voters. In selecting the arguments, the election official conducting the election shall give preference and priority, in the order named, to the Arguments of the following:

- a) The Governing Board of the District or Member or Members of the Board authorized by the board.
- b) The individual voter, or bona fide associations of citizens, or combination of voters and associations, who are the bona fide sponsors or proponents of the Ballot Measure.
- c) Bona fide associations of citizens.
- d) Individual voters who are eligible to vote on the Measure. (E. C. § 9503)

## BALLOT ENCLOSURES (continued)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO SIGN REBUTTAL ARGUMENT FORM.** — The authors of an argument in favor or against a ballot measure may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments, or may authorize, in writing, another person to sign the rebuttal.

Fill in the appropriate fields and provide information as indicated on the form. Form must include the printed name and signature of Author of ballot argument and the person authorized to sign as Rebuttal Author.

Attach completed Authorization form to Declaration By Author(s) of Arguments or Rebuttals submitted with Rebuttal argument text. Refer to form examples on Pages 9 and 10.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
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ELECTION PLANNING SECTION



**AUTHORIZATION FOR ANOTHER PERSON TO SIGN  
REBUTTAL ARGUMENT**  
(Elections Code Section 9167, 9317 & 9504)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ authorize the person listed  
below to  
(Print name of **AUTHOR** of the Argument)

sign the rebuttal to the argument  in favor  against Measure \_\_\_\_\_  
(Check one)  
(Letter)

for the \_\_\_\_\_  
election to be  
(Jurisdiction)

held on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Any Author of the Argument may be replaced with another author to sign the Rebuttal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print name of Rebuttal Author)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Rebuttal Author)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title to appear on Rebuttal)

Signature of Argument Author: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach this form to the "Declaration by Authors Form" submitted with the Rebuttal Argument.

**AVAILABLE FORMS** — Copies of forms for submitting Ballot Measure Arguments and Rebuttals, referenced in this Chapter, may be obtained by calling the Election Planning Section at (562) 462-2317 or accessing the RR/CC website at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net).

**WITHDRAWAL OF ARGUMENTS** — Ballot Arguments "FOR or AGAINST" any Measure may be withdrawn by proponents at any time prior to and including the final date fixed for filing arguments.

**PUBLIC EXAMINATION** — Public Examination Period is allowed for reviewing submitted Arguments and Rebuttal Arguments in the **ten calendar day period** immediately following the filing deadline for such documents. During this period, any person may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material to be amended or deleted. The writ of mandate or injunction request shall be filed no later than the end of ten (10) calendar day Public Examination Period.

## **BALLOT ENCLOSURES** (continued)

**ORIGINAL FORMS/SIGNATURES** — Faxed copies of Arguments and/or Rebuttals may be sent to the Registrar-Recorder/County-Clerk's office, however, forms with original signatures **must** be received by the RR/CC office within 48 hours of the fax transmission.

**RESTRICTIONS** — Notify the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office prior to Resolution adoption, if the School District plans to include maps and/or graphics to ensure that there are no space limitation problems or to find out if the School District request will require special arrangements and possibly result in additional costs.

**LITIGATION** — Notify the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of any pending litigation involving Ballot Enclosures. This includes action taken by the court if amendments or deletions are required on any Ballot Enclosures. This could potentially cause a delay in meeting established deadlines and/or printing of the Official Sample Ballot Booklets.

**WORD COUNTING GUIDELINES**  
**FOR**  
**ARGUMENTS / REBUTTALS & OTHER ENCLOSURES**  
(Elections Code Chapter 1. General Provisions, Section 9)

The following guidelines are used by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's Office for counting words on ballot measure text, arguments, rebuttals and other ballot enclosures. If the text exceeds the specified word limit, the author will be asked to delete words or change text until the enclosure conforms with the following requirements.

1. **PUNCTUATION MARKS** are not counted. Symbols such as "&" (and), and "#"  
(number/pound) are not considered punctuation and each symbol is counted as one (1) word.
2. **THE WORDS** "I", "a", "the", "and", "an" are counted as individual words.
3. **GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES** such as countries, states, counties, cities, towns, or jurisdictions are counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** "City of Los Angeles" = 1 word  
"City and County of San Francisco" = 1 word
4. **ABBREVIATIONS** each acronym or abbreviation for a word, phrase, or expression is counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** UCLA, PTA, USMC, LAPD, U.S.M.C.
5. **HYPHENATED WORDS** that appear in any generally available standard reference dictionary published in the U.S. at any time within the last 10 calendar years immediately preceding the election are counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** Attorney-at-law
6. **DATES** consisting of a combination of digits are counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** 3/18 7/21/89
7. **DATES** consisting of a combination of words and digits are counted as two (2) words.  
**Such as:** July 21, 1983 18 June, 1987
8. **NUMERIC COMBINATIONS** are counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** 1973 13 1/2 1971-73 5% 8/3/73 #14
9. **MONETARY AMOUNTS**  
**Such as:** \$1,000.00 are counted as one (1) word  
**Such as:** \$4 million are counted as two (2) words
10. **NAMES OF PERSONS AND THINGS** are counted as individual words.  
**Such as:** Gus Wright (2 words)  
L. A. Basketball Team (3 words)
11. **TELEPHONE/FAX NUMBERS** are counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** 1 (800) 815-2666 1-562-462-2317
12. **INTERNET WEB SITES/E-MAIL ADDRESSES** are counted as one (1) word.  
**Such as:** 1) <http://www.co.la.ca.us> 2) [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) 3) <http://www.lacounty.info>

# **Chapter 5**

## **Campaign Statement Filing Requirements**



## CAMPAIGN STATEMENT FILING REQUIREMENTS

**CAMPAIGN STATEMENT FILING REQUIREMENTS** — California's Political Reform Act was adopted by Voter Initiative in 1974 and has been periodically amended by legislation and initiatives. The Act requires that Campaign Disclosure Reports provide the public with the identity of contributors and the amounts they give and the amount and purpose of expenditures made by Officeholders, Candidates, and Committees.

Proponents and all committees primarily formed to support or oppose a Ballot Measure in any election must comply with the Campaign Statement Filing Requirements if the committee receives contributions or makes independent expenditures that total \$1,000 or more. Monetary penalties may be assessed for failure to file required statements. Call the Campaign Finance Disclosure Section at (562) 462-2339, if you have questions relating to filing requirements or need Campaign Statement Forms.



# **Chapter 6**

**Election Night Tally and  
Certification of Official Results**



# ADDENDUM

## ELECTION NIGHT TALLY AND CERTIFICATION OF OFFICIAL RESULTS

**ELECTION NIGHT — SEMI FINAL OFFICIAL RESULTS** — All results will be released from the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office at 12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, California.

Absentee Ballot results will be available at approximately 8:30 p.m. Precinct results will be available as ballots are processed. Bulletins are updated and results released approximately every 20 minutes until the last **Semi Final Official Results** are completed on Election Night.

Election results will also be continuously updated and displayed on the Department's Internet Website at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net), Election Night and during the Official Canvass process.

Copies of results by Precinct will be available, at the Election Information Section counter after 10:00 a.m., on the Thursday following the election.

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk  
Election Information Section  
12400 Imperial Highway 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 2013  
Norwalk, California 90650

**CERTIFICATION OF OFFICIAL RESULTS** — On **June 25, 2007** the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is tentatively scheduled to certify the election results. On **June 26, 2007**, the Board of Supervisors is tentatively scheduled to declare the election results official.

Certificates will be mailed to the School District unless other arrangements are made by the School District. Please contact the Election Coordination Section at (562) 462-2631 to make arrangements for the Pick up, Faxing and/or Mailing of your certification.

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## JANUARY

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## DECEMBER

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