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## 2012 Quick Reference Guide on California Propositions

### **\*Prop. 30: Governor Brown's tax initiative (YES)**

- Increases taxes on those earning over \$250,000 for seven years.
- Temporarily increases sales taxes by ¼ cent for four years.
- Funding goes to schools and public safety realignment funding.
- Estimated to bring in about \$6 billion annually over the next few years.
- If it fails:
  - o Immediate additional \$6 billion in additional cuts
  - o VC Community College District additional \$10 Million in cuts
  - o OUHSD total 19 teacher furlough days; in other words 19 days students are not in school
  - o Students at the CSU and UC will face \$250 million in cuts.

### **Prop. 31: (NO)**

- Gives Governor unilateral power to cut the budget
- Precludes the Legislature from spending more than \$25 million unless it raises the necessary revenue or enacts alternative spending cuts.
- Creates two-year state budget cycle

### **\*Prop. 32: (NO)**

- Exempts the wealthiest corporations and their SuperPACs from unlimited political funding
- Prohibits individuals from choosing to have payroll deductions for political purposes.
- Put forth by the same group that passed the federal Citizens United allowing unlimited political donations from corporations and the ultra rich.

### **Prop. 33: Auto Insurance rate hike (NO)**

- Changes current law and would allow insurance companies to set prices based on whether the driver previously carried auto insurance with any insurance company.
- Allows increased cost for drivers without history of continuous coverage.
- Voters defeated similar law in 2010. Consumer advocates oppose the measure.

### **Prop. 34: Abolishes California's Death Penalty (YES)**

### **Prop. 35: Increases Human Trafficking Penalties (No position)**

### **Prop. 36: Reforms the three strikes law (YES)**

### **Prop. 37: Genetically Engineered Foods (YES)**

- Requires labeling of genetically engineered foods.
- Has no cost to food manufactures.

- Monsanto and other chemical and bioengineering companies are fighting against labeling as they do not want the public to know what they are doing to the food we eat.

**Prop. 38: Molly Munger tax initiative (NO)**

- Asks an income tax increase on everyone, even those making just \$7,316 a year (part-time workers at minimum wage) for the next 12 years.
- Does not allocate money to our CSU and UC systems.
- Funds are NOT to prevent additional cuts to the number of days students are in school

**Prop. 39: Tax treatment for multistate businesses (YES)**

- Dedicates tax revenue from multi-state corporations to fund energy efficiency and clean energy jobs in California. Single sales factor.
- \$550 million annually to create clean energy jobs.

**Prop. 40: Redistricting – state senate district (YES)**