

Statement of the

# Vote of California

AT THE

Special Election Held  
November 7, 1939

ON

INITIATIVE AND  
REFERENDUM MEASURES

COMPILED BY  
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**REGISTRATION, VOTING PRECINCTS, AND TOTAL VOTE CAST AT SPECIAL ELECTION,  
November 7, 1939**

Counties	Registration	Voting precincts	Total vote cast
Alameda	298,642	1,273	241,933
Alpine	202	1	156
Amador	4,342	25	3,544
Butte	23,067	74	18,084
Calaveras	4,968	33	3,904
Colusa	5,524	16	4,448
Contra Costa	52,202	138	43,147
Del Norte	3,480	8	2,377
El Dorado	7,796	36	5,921
Fresno	84,164	248	66,285
Glenn	6,420	27	5,186
Humboldt	27,800	67	20,231
Imperial	17,693	39	13,508
Inyo	3,866	30	2,864
Kern	62,245	228	48,258
Kings	14,789	54	11,980
Lake	4,967	20	4,040
Lassen	7,197	37	5,607
Los Angeles	1,510,254	4,484	1,262,105
Madera	10,385	23	7,893
Marin	23,976	62	20,518
Mariposa	4,500	20	2,696
Mendocino	14,019	77	11,240
Merced	20,850	69	16,279
Modoc	4,057	23	3,111
Mono	1,265	8	831
Monterey	30,522	62	24,934
Napa	14,792	51	11,869
Nevada	10,689	41	7,941
Orange	73,604	116	59,945
Placer	14,480	46	11,560
Plumas	5,383	30	3,790
Riverside	50,048	123	40,896
Sacramento	82,427	332	70,834
San Benito	5,601	22	4,712
San Bernardino	79,508	151	65,213
San Diego	141,993	483	117,120
San Francisco	343,405	1,084	293,040
San Joaquin	57,214	95	47,325
San Luis Obispo	18,745	46	14,976
San Mateo	58,973	240	48,276
Santa Barbara	35,154	56	29,494
Santa Clara	90,096	294	75,025
Santa Cruz	25,864	36	21,965
Shasta	14,650	62	10,998
Sierra	1,877	16	1,359
Siskiyou	14,677	62	10,875
Solano	22,685	79	18,797
Sonoma	35,333	73	29,597
Stanislaus	35,805	63	29,511
Sutter	8,876	27	7,005
Tehama	8,040	54	6,426
Trinity	2,767	24	1,978
Tulare	46,286	139	36,131
Tuolumne	6,634	37	5,148
Ventura	30,166	38	24,332
Yolo	12,568	44	10,506
Yuba	8,375	19	6,632
Totals	3,605,907	11,165	*2,974,406

\* Per cent 82.48.

SPECIAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1939—REFERENDUM AND INITIATIVE MEASURES

Counties

**1** **RETIREMENT WARRANTS. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.** Requires State issue weekly at least thirty \$1.00 warrants for life to electors fifty years old, neither employer nor employee, redeemable annually in cash, provided stamps sold by State affixed thereon weekly; warrants receivable for all obligations due State or political subdivisions, and some due therefrom. Incorporates Sales, Use Tax Acts. Enacts 3% gross income tax. Creates State bank to handle warrants; made sole depository for all public funds; requires \$23,000,000 bond issue for initial capital. Permits Administrator propose amendments, calling elections thereon. Creates Economics Board. Prohibits courts interfering with administration.

**2** **CHIROPRACTORS. Initiative.** Amends title and certain sections of Chiropractic Act; provides secretary of Chiropractic Board shall devote full time to duties and increases his salary; increases powers of board; increases educational requirements of applicant for license; permits licensees to diagnose and treat diseases, injuries, deformities or other physical or mental conditions of human beings, without using drugs or severing any tissues of human body; specifies grounds of and proceedings for suspension or revocation of license; specifies annual renewal license fee and method of reinstating forfeited license; declares licensees shall report communicable diseases and sign birth and death certificates.

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	Yes	No	Yes	No
Alameda.....	74,683	164,936	61,998	164,306
Alpine.....	11	145	36	106
Amador.....	855	2,631	703	2,512
Butte.....	6,351	11,474	5,068	11,177
Calaveras.....	1,162	2,677	810	2,655
Colusa.....	1,194	3,183	646	3,338
Contra Costa.....	14,546	28,096	12,024	27,101
Del Norte.....	1,036	1,292	603	1,399
El Dorado.....	2,015	3,833	1,587	3,741
Fresno.....	22,192	43,204	14,596	45,475
Glenn.....	1,302	3,823	1,253	3,505
Humboldt.....	6,579	13,403	4,578	12,860
Imperial.....	4,088	9,207	3,446	8,443
Inyo.....	598	2,234	861	1,650
Kern.....	17,887	29,601	11,021	32,568
Kings.....	3,672	8,078	2,840	7,928
Lake.....	1,446	2,541	1,170	2,362
Lassen.....	1,575	3,959	1,763	3,327
Los Angeles.....	448,057	801,251	374,983	788,054
Madera.....	3,076	4,659	1,779	5,134
Marin.....	4,430	15,786	3,609	14,948
Mariposa.....	978	1,654	819	1,580
Mendocino.....	4,225	6,884	2,938	6,779
Merced.....	6,536	9,513	3,668	10,678
Modoc.....	959	2,119	717	1,950
Mono.....	172	654	197	510
Monterey.....	6,999	17,590	5,789	16,717
Napa.....	3,761	7,955	2,862	7,868
Nevada.....	2,568	5,284	1,798	5,420
Orange.....	18,791	40,472	13,273	42,215
Placer.....	3,862	7,501	2,506	7,989
Plumas.....	1,052	2,680	887	2,464
Riverside.....	14,006	26,202	10,522	26,266
Sacramento.....	19,714	50,181	13,014	51,204
San Benito.....	1,448	3,189	824	3,288
San Bernardino.....	24,227	39,882	19,601	39,192
San Diego.....	41,342	74,192	32,500	74,704
San Francisco.....	84,697	192,563	71,299	171,618
San Joaquin.....	17,071	29,520	10,700	32,182
San Luis Obispo.....	4,937	9,840	3,658	9,831
San Mateo.....	13,587	33,992	9,980	33,559
Santa Barbara.....	8,764	20,414	12,284	14,859
Santa Clara.....	23,739	50,260	18,728	50,304
Santa Cruz.....	7,720	13,938	6,679	13,095
Shasta.....	4,253	6,577	3,125	6,757
Sierra.....	376	966	315	885
Siskiyou.....	2,934	7,828	2,604	6,894
Solano.....	5,985	12,463	4,707	12,194
Sonoma.....	9,169	20,089	8,425	17,965
Stanislaus.....	10,873	18,215	5,776	20,999
Sutter.....	2,251	4,641	1,602	4,769
Tehama.....	1,875	4,481	1,179	4,601
Trinity.....	670	1,286	577	1,135
Tulare.....	12,565	22,897	9,822	22,364
Tuolumne.....	2,029	3,048	1,180	3,347
Ventura.....	7,404	16,540	7,358	14,501
Yolo.....	2,515	7,888	2,339	7,147
Yuba.....	2,395	4,116	1,547	4,336
Totals.....	993,204	1,933,557	801,173	1,894,764

SPECIAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1939—REFERENDUM AND INITIATIVE MEASURES—Continued

Counties	3 PERSONAL PROPERTY BROKERS. Referendum of Legislative Act. (Chapter 952, Statutes 1939.) Act amends "Personal Property Brokers Act." Regulates business of brokers and personal property brokers, requiring licensing thereof. Regulates loans of three hundred dollars or less, charges thereon, and collateral agreements relating thereto. Exempts specified businesses including those conducted under laws relating to banks, trust companies, building and loan associations, industrial loan companies, credit unions or licensed pawnbrokers. Provides for administration by Corporation Commissioner, appropriating for enforcement all fees collected thereunder, authorizing him to issue and revoke licenses, conduct investigations and make regulations. Prescribes penalties for violations.		4 PERSONAL PROPERTY BROKERS. Referendum of Legislative Act. (Chapter 1044, Statutes 1939.) Act amends "Personal Property Brokers Act." Regulates business of brokers and personal property brokers and requires licensing thereof. Regulates loans of three hundred dollars or less, charges thereon, and collateral agreements relating thereto. Exempts specified businesses including those conducted under laws relating to banks, trust companies, building and loan associations, industrial loan companies, credit unions or licensed pawnbrokers. Provides for administration by Corporation Commissioner, authorizing him to issue, suspend and revoke licenses, collect fees, conduct investigations and make regulations. Prescribes penalties for violations.	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Alameda.....	173,887	44,828	174,354	42,786
Alpine.....	83	49	88	40
Amador.....	2,111	979	2,111	961
Butte.....	8,474	6,677	8,457	6,519
Calaveras.....	2,135	1,056	2,123	1,077
Colusa.....	2,284	1,417	2,261	1,390
Contra Costa.....	27,394	10,049	27,447	9,646
Del Norte.....	1,038	770	1,037	747
El Dorado.....	3,265	1,744	3,261	1,693
Fresno.....	38,292	19,316	38,172	18,829
Glenn.....	2,633	1,779	2,636	1,741
Humboldt.....	8,929	7,386	8,965	7,209
Imperial.....	5,318	5,814	5,219	5,730
Inyo.....	1,245	1,106	1,229	1,043
Kern.....	20,344	21,503	20,161	21,113
Kings.....	5,913	4,224	5,864	4,178
Lake.....	1,874	1,351	1,887	1,329
Lassen.....	3,017	1,583	3,009	1,527
Los Angeles.....	839,658	298,328	837,698	291,494
Madera.....	3,577	2,792	3,595	2,763
Marin.....	13,792	3,990	13,848	3,707
Mariposa.....	1,403	823	1,394	782
Mendocino.....	5,021	3,843	4,954	3,758
Merced.....	7,736	5,409	7,690	5,238
Modoc.....	1,355	1,138	1,357	1,094
Mono.....	361	312	355	302
Monterey.....	11,499	9,654	11,499	9,349
Napa.....	6,908	3,178	6,924	3,081
Nevada.....	4,848	2,103	4,912	2,016
Orange.....	28,738	24,912	28,310	24,911
Placer.....	6,883	3,146	6,912	3,050
Plumas.....	2,294	899	2,293	883
Riverside.....	15,838	19,359	15,708	19,194
Sacramento.....	47,951	14,652	48,262	13,775
San Benito.....	2,338	1,516	2,350	1,478
San Bernardino.....	33,898	21,380	33,920	21,245
San Diego.....	65,992	35,949	66,402	34,769
San Francisco.....	198,879	41,371	198,520	38,591
San Joaquin.....	30,312	11,233	30,086	11,231
San Luis Obispo.....	5,846	6,734	5,656	6,837
San Mateo.....	34,485	7,793	34,589	7,200
Santa Barbara.....	16,320	9,104	16,282	9,007
Santa Clara.....	45,883	19,748	45,606	18,984
Santa Cruz.....	11,962	6,622	11,947	6,370
Shasta.....	5,642	3,530	5,625	3,414
Sierra.....	665	459	669	444
Siskiyou.....	5,418	3,482	5,503	3,380
Solano.....	10,664	5,624	10,738	5,350
Sonoma.....	14,820	9,438	14,700	9,194
Stanislaus.....	17,285	8,129	17,318	7,800
Sutter.....	3,682	2,252	3,732	2,184
Tehama.....	2,681	2,676	2,726	2,578
Trinity.....	999	613	991	584
Tulare.....	15,065	15,067	15,177	14,905
Tuolumne.....	2,819	1,471	2,805	1,421
Ventura.....	12,412	8,048	12,304	7,979
Yolo.....	6,234	2,865	5,973	2,800
Yuba.....	3,264	2,207	3,299	2,173
Totals.....	1,853,663	753,480	1,850,811	732,873

SPECIAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 7, 1939—REFERENDUM AND INITIATIVE MEASURES—Continued

Counties

**5 OIL AND GAS CONTROL.** Referendum of Legislative Act. (Chapter 811, Statutes 1939.) Act creates Oil Conservation Commission empowered to limit and prorate production of crude petroleum oil and natural gas, adopt rules and regulations relating thereto and prescribe procedure in hearings and proceedings before Commission. Provides for court review. Defines and prohibits waste. Defines legal and illegal oil and oil products; when illegal requires same be impounded, sold and proceeds deposited in general fund. Prescribes penalties for violations. Imposes charges upon well operators and royalty owners, payable into oil conservation fund to be expended in enforcement of Act.

	Yes	No
Alameda.....	132,061	103,479
Alpine.....	103	50
Amador.....	1,969	1,449
Butte.....	6,910	10,554
Calaveras.....	1,672	2,046
Colusa.....	1,970	2,302
Contra Costa.....	24,356	17,473
Del Norte.....	1,108	1,145
El Dorado.....	3,197	2,523
Fresno.....	18,366	45,704
Glenn.....	1,983	3,022
Humboldt.....	8,841	10,519
Imperial.....	4,419	8,507
Inyo.....	1,378	1,362
Kern.....	11,578	34,914
Kings.....	3,428	8,086
Lake.....	1,827	2,033
Lassen.....	3,319	2,018
Los Angeles.....	340,742	888,327
Madera.....	2,663	4,932
Marin.....	13,481	6,276
Mariposa.....	1,450	1,147
Mendocino.....	6,020	4,768
Merced.....	5,921	9,692
Modoc.....	1,859	1,119
Mono.....	429	366
Monterey.....	12,551	11,550
Napa.....	6,048	5,291
Nevada.....	4,614	3,027
Orange.....	10,939	47,679
Placer.....	5,860	5,191
Plumas.....	2,616	982
Riverside.....	11,741	27,853
Sacramento.....	33,839	34,305
San Benito.....	1,843	2,657
San Bernardino.....	19,699	42,871
San Diego.....	37,603	75,921
San Francisco.....	174,079	92,207
San Joaquin.....	12,984	32,697
San Luis Obispo.....	2,960	11,594
San Mateo.....	31,147	15,357
Santa Barbara.....	9,598	18,838
Santa Clara.....	36,061	36,615
Santa Cruz.....	9,496	11,605
Shasta.....	5,567	4,953
Sierra.....	686	624
Siskiyou.....	6,131	4,165
Solano.....	10,166	7,892
Sonoma.....	15,820	12,643
Stanislaus.....	11,063	17,407
Sutter.....	3,044	3,718
Tehama.....	2,311	3,836
Trinity.....	1,187	715
Tulare.....	10,925	23,626
Tuolumne.....	2,210	2,732
Ventura.....	8,664	14,569
Yolo.....	5,020	5,309
Yuba.....	2,794	3,383
Totals.....	1,110,316	1,755,625

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
Sacramento, California.

I, FRANK C. JORDAN, Secretary of State of the State of California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct statement of the result of the vote cast in the State of California at the special election held on the seventh day of November, A.D. 1939, in so far as said statement relates to votes cast for five propositions submitted to vote of electors, and I hereby make official declaration of this statement of the vote thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the State of California, at office in Sacramento, this fourth day of December, A.D. 1939.

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*Secretary of State*

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