



LARRRP Policy & Legal Committee Brief

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November 3, 2020 Election Justice Ballot Measures

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November 3, 2020 Election - Propositions

- ❑ The California November 3, 2020 election will have **12 statewide ballot measures** that seek to:
 - ❖ raise taxes or lower them
 - ❖ regulate some industries or ban others
 - ❖ expand voting rights
 - ❖ reform and increase criminal sentencing
 - ❖ resurrect affirmative action

- ❑ LA County will have 1 ballot measure to dedicate funding for services.

- ❑ Dozens of cities have local ballot measures on various governance issues.

Justice Related Ballot Measures

- Proposition 16** – Restore Affirmative Action
- Proposition 17** – Restore Voting Rights for People on Parole
- Proposition 20** – Increase Criminal Penalties/ Dismantle Props 47&57
- Proposition 25** – End Cash Bail
- Measure J** – Dedicate County Funding for Services

Proposition 16: Restore Affirmative Action

- ✓ Repeals Prop 209 from 1996 which banned affirmative action
- ✓ Will be allowed to set goals for contracts, enrollment, etc.
- ✓ Will be allowed to specifically seek to hire someone of a race or gender
- ✓ Does NOT allow for quotas
- ✓ **LARRP has endorsed a “Yes on Prop 16” position**

Watch: <https://calmatters.org/election-2020-guide/proposition-16-affirmative-action/>



Proposition 17: Restore Voting Rights

- ✓ Allows people on parole to vote (and run for office)
- ✓ 16 other states + DC already allow
- ✓ Supported by ARC, CSJ, Gov. Newsom, League of Women Voters
- ✓ **LARRP has endorsed a “Yes on Prop 17” position**

Watch: <https://calmatters.org/election-2020-guide/proposition-17-parole-vote/>



Proposition 20: Increase Criminal Penalties

- ✓ Dismantle parts of Props 47 and 57
- ✓ Increases penalties for parole violation
- ✓ Increases penalties for property crimes over \$250, allows charging them as felonies (un-does Prop 47)
- ✓ Allows DNA collection for Prop 47 misdemeanors
- ✓ Doubles the number of felonies that prevent early releases consideration
- ✓ “No” supporters: Newsom, CDP, CPOC, CSJ
- ✓ **LARRP has endorsed a “No on Prop 20” position**

Watch: <https://calmatters.org/election-2020-guide/proposition-20-crime/>



Proposition 25: End Cash Bail

- ✓ Upholds a 2018 law (SB 10) that sought to eliminate cash bail and **replace it with an algorithm** to assess a person's risk
- ✓ People would either be released automatically or based on their assessed risk of committing another crime or not appearing in court if released.
- ✓ No one would be charged fees as a condition of release
- ✓ Pro: SEIU, CDP, Newsom, CA Medical Assoc
- ✓ Con: CA Bail Agents, HRW, CA NAACP, CPOA
- ✓ **LARRP has not made any endorsement on Prop 25**

Watch: <https://calmatters.org/election-2020-guide/proposition-25-cash-bail/>



Measure J: Community Investment and ATI

- ✓ Allocates a minimum of (10%) of the County's existing locally-controlled revenues to be directed to community investment and alternatives to incarceration
- ✓ Growing close to \$1B once fully phased in
- ✓ Targeting the disproportionate impact of racial injustice
- ✓ Prohibiting using funds for carceral systems and law enforcement agencies
- ✓ Pro: Supervisors, all the justice groups, some unions
- ✓ Opposed: DA and Sheriff unions and county employee unions
- ✓ **LARRP has endorsed a “Yes on Measure J” position**

Watch: <https://twitter.com/i/status/1305947126468>



Resources

More Ballot Measure Info

- ❑ Ballotpedia

[https://ballotpedia.org/November 3, 2020 ballot measures in California](https://ballotpedia.org/November_3,_2020_ballot_measures_in_California)

- ❑ Cal Matters <https://calmatters.org/election-2020-guide/>

- ❑ LA Vote [https://www.lavote.net/docs/rrcc/election-info/11032020 measures-appearing-on-the-ballot.pdf?v=11](https://www.lavote.net/docs/rrcc/election-info/11032020_measures-appearing-on-the-ballot.pdf?v=11)

- ❑ LAO

<https://lao.ca.gov/BallotAnalysis/Propositions?date=11%2F3%2F2020>