

LEGAL NOTICE

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DATE: March 14, 2011
TO: Sierra Star
SUBJECT: Notice of Special Election in the Bass Lake Joint Union School District on June 7, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the qualified electors of the Bass Lake Joint Union School District situate in the Counties of Madera and Mariposa, State of California, that pursuant to law, a special election shall be held Tuesday, June 7, 2011 in the District, at which there will be submitted the question as follows:

“Shall the Bass Lake Joint Union Elementary School District governing board reduce the number of trustees from seven to five members?”

The question shall be answered by: Yes or No.

The following are the filing periods associated with the submission of arguments for or against said measure above:

March 15 to March 21	Period to Submit Arguments For or Against Measures
March 22 to March 25	Period to Submit Rebuttals to Arguments For or Against Measures
March 26 to April 4	10-day Public Examination Period for Arguments and Rebuttals

Pursuant to Elections Code Sections 9501 and 9501.5, the governing board of the district or any member or members of the district authorized by the governing board, or any individual voter who is eligible to vote on the measure, or a bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of such voters and associations may file a written argument for or against any measure. No argument shall exceed 300 words in length. The elections official shall cause an argument for and an argument against the measure, if submitted, to be printed, and shall include the arguments, preceded by the analysis, in the voter information pamphlet that accompanies the sample ballot. A ballot argument shall not be accepted under this article unless accompanied by the printed name and signature or printed names and signatures of the person or persons submitting it or, if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers. No more than five signatures shall appear with any argument submitted. If any argument is signed by more than five persons, the signatures of the first five shall be printed.

The following statement shall be printed on the front cover, or if none, on the heading of the first page, of the printed arguments:

“Arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed laws are the opinions of the authors.”

Printed arguments submitted to the voters shall be titled either “Argument in Favor of Measure ____” or “Argument Against Measure ____”. Words in the title shall not be counted when determining the length of any argument. If more than one argument for or more than one argument against any measure is submitted, the county elections official shall select one of the arguments in favor and one of the arguments against for printing and distribution to the voters.

Pursuant to Elections Code Section 9504, when the county elections official has selected the arguments for and against the measure which will be printed and distributed to the voters, the elections official shall send copies of the argument in favor to the authors of the argument against, and copies of the argument against, to the authors of the argument in favor. The authors may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments not exceeding 250 words. Rebuttal arguments shall be printed in the same manner as the direct arguments. Each rebuttal shall be titled “Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure ____” or “Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure ____”. Words used in the title shall not be counted when determining the length of any rebuttal argument.

The elections official shall make a copy of the materials submitted available for public examination in her office for a period of 10 calendar days immediately following the filing deadline for the submission of those documents (Elections Code Section 9509.) Any person may obtain a copy of the materials from the elections official. The elections official may charge a fee to any person obtaining a copy of the material. The fee may not exceed the actual cost incurred by the elections official in providing the copy.

For more information, contact the County Clerk-Recorder, Elections Division at 559-675-7720 or toll free at 1-800-435-0509.

DATED: 3/11/11

REBECCA MARTINEZ
COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER & REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

Si desea información en Español, llame a 559-675-7720 o gratis al 800-435-0509.