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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR
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Enclosed for your review is a draft of a proposed initiative to amend Section 5, Article II of the California Constitution. On the same page I am also submitting a *requested* "Ballot Title and Label", and *requested* "Official Summary" of the initiative for your consideration.

This letter formally requests that your office prepare a circulating title, and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed initiative measure.

Enclosed is a check for \$2,000 as required with this submittal.

Below as required I am submitting the following declaration:

I, Richard Charles Ginnaty, declare under penalty of perjury that I am a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age or older, and a resident of Orange county, California.



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I also submit the following declaration:

I, Richard Charles Ginnaty, acknowledge that it is a misdemeanor under state law (Sect, 18650 of the Elections Code) to knowingly or willfully allow the signatures on an initiative petition to be used for any purpose other than qualification of the proposed measure for the ballot. I certify that I will not knowingly or willfully allow the signatures for this initiative to be used for any purpose other than qualification of the measure for the ballot.



Richard Charles Ginnaty
Dated this 5th day of December, 2017

PROPOSED BALLOT INITIATIVE

Ballot title and label (as requested): " **ELECTIONS: Materially increases number of candidates and thereby the potential for political diversity in the General Election.**" Ensures that four candidates (increasing from the current two) receiving the greatest number of votes will appear on the general election ballot regardless of party preference.

Official Summary (as requested): Encourages increased participation in elections for congressional, legislative, and statewide offices by providing that the top four candidates (increasing from the current two) receiving the greatest number of votes in the primary will appear on the general election ballot regardless of party preference.

Amended Section 5 of Article II, California Constitution (Voting, Initiative and Referendum, and Recall) would be as follows with the existing provisions that are proposed for deletion appearing in emboldened ~~strike-out~~ type, and the new provisions that the proposition proposes to add in emboldened *italic* type.

Section 5 (As proposed)

(a) A voter-nomination primary election shall be conducted to select the candidates for congressional and state elective offices in California. All voters may vote at a voter-nominated primary election for any candidate for congressional and state elective office without regard to the political party preference disclosed by the candidate or the voter, provided that the voter is otherwise qualified to vote for candidates for the office in question. The candidates who are the top ~~two~~ ***four*** vote getters at a voter nominated primary election for a congressional or state elective office shall, regardless of party preference, compete in the ensuing general election.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by Section 6, a candidate for a congressional or state elective office may have his or her political preference, or lack of a political party preference, indicated upon the ballot for the office in the manner provided by statute. A political party or party central committee shall not nominate a candidate for any congressional or state elective office at the voter-nominated primary. This subdivision shall not be interpreted to prohibit a political party or party central committee from endorsing, supporting, or opposing any candidate for a congressional or state elective office. A political party or party central committee shall not have a right to have its preferred candidate participate in the general election for a voter-nominated office other than a candidate who is one of ~~two~~ ***four*** highest vote-getters at the primary election, as provided in subdivision (a).

(c) The Legislation shall provide for partisan elections for presidential candidates, and political party and party central committees, including an open presidential primary whereby the candidates on the ballot are those found by the Secretary of State to be recognized candidates throughout the nation or throughout California for the office of President of the United States, and those whose names are placed on the ballot by petition, but excluding any candidate who has withdrawn by filing an affidavit of noncandidacy.

(d) A political party that participated in a primary election for a partisan office pursuant to subdivision (c) has the right to participate in the general election for that office and shall not be denied the ability to place on the general election ballot the candidate who received, at the primary election, the highest vote among that party's candidates