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Proposed Initiative Enters Circulation

Human Life. Initiative Constitutional Amendment.

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Alex Padilla today announced the proponent of a new initiative may begin collecting petition signatures for his measure.

The Attorney General prepares the legal title and summary that is required to appear on initiative petitions. When the official language is complete, the Attorney General forwards it to the proponent and to the Secretary of State, and the initiative may be circulated for signatures. The Secretary of State then provides calendar deadlines to the proponent and to county elections officials. The Attorney General's official title and summary for the measure is as follows:

HUMAN LIFE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. States that "innocent human life," which is not defined, cannot be violated, terminated, defiled, or destroyed. Fiscal impact: **It is the opinion of the Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance that the measure may result in a substantial net change in state or local finances depending on how the initiative is interpreted and applied by the courts.** (14-0012.)

The Secretary of State's tracking number for this measure is 1662 and the Attorney General's tracking number is 14-0012.

The proponent for the measure, Richard L. Board, must collect signatures of 585,407 registered voters (eight percent of the total votes cast for governor in the 2014 gubernatorial election) in order to qualify it for the ballot. The proponent has 180 days to circulate petitions for the measure, meaning the signatures must be submitted to county elections officials by August 17, 2015. The proponent can be reached at 411 Parker Avenue, Rodeo, California 94572. No phone number was provided.

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