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Secretary of State Debra Bowen Certifies List Of Candidates for June 3, 2008, Statewide Direct Primary

SACRAMENTO – Secretary of State Debra Bowen today released the certified list of candidates who will appear on the June 3, 2008, Direct Primary Election ballot. More than 450 people have been certified as candidates for the 150-plus Congressional, State Senate, and State Assembly offices up for election.

The candidates for the June 3 primary will differ by legislative district, as voters in each district elect their own representatives. This year, each of California's 53 Congressional seats and 80 State Assembly seats is up for grabs, as are the 20 State Senate seats in odd-numbered districts.

The top vote-getter from each party's primary will advance to the November 4, 2008, General Election.

The official certified list of candidates, with ballot designations and contact information for each candidate, is available at http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/elections_cand.htm.

In the June primary, decline-to-state voters may request an American Independent, Democratic, or Republican ballot. Decline-to-state voters who do not request a specific ballot will be given a nonpartisan ballot containing only the two ballot measures, Propositions 98 and 99, and any nonpartisan local races.

The last day to register to vote in the June 3, 2008, Statewide Direct Primary Election is May 19. The last day to request a vote-by-mail ballot is May 27.

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