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### Secretary of State Debra Bowen Announces Certified List of 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District Candidates

**SACRAMENTO** – Secretary of State Debra Bowen today announced the certified list of candidates who will appear on the Special Primary Election ballot to fill the vacancy in the 1<sup>st</sup> Senate District seat. The candidates and their official ballot designations are:

- **Ken Cooley (Democratic) – Mayor/Finance Consultant**
- **Barbara Alby (Republican) – Small Business Owner**
- **Ted Gaines (Republican) – Independent Business Owner**
- **Roger Niello (Republican) – Business Owner**

The Special Primary Election will be held November 2 to fill the vacancy left by the passing of Senator Dave Cox. In a special primary, the candidates from all qualified parties appear on one ballot.

If one candidate receives a majority of the votes cast (50 percent plus one), no further election will be necessary. If no candidate receives a majority of the votes, a Special General Election will be held on January 4, 2011, with a ballot featuring the person from each qualified political party who received the most votes in the primary.

The official certified list of candidates, with contact information for each of them, is available at [www.sos.ca.gov/elections/Special/sd01/certified-list.pdf](http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/Special/sd01/certified-list.pdf).

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