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Second of Four Proposed Gaming Compact Referenda Enters Circulation

REFERENDUM PETITION TO OVERTURN AMENDMENT TO INDIAN GAMING COMPACT. If this petition is signed by the required number of registered voters and timely filed with the Secretary of State, it will stop the law (Chapter 39, Statutes of 2007) from going into effect, unless a majority of voters at the next statewide election vote in its favor. The challenged law ratifies an amendment to an existing gaming compact between the state and Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation; exempts certain projects from the California Environmental Quality Act; specifies where revenue paid by tribe pursuant to the amendment is deposited. (07-0036.)

To qualify a referendum for the ballot, the proponent must submit petition signatures of 433,971 registered voters to county election officials within 90 days from the date the bill is enacted. Senate Bill 175 (Ducheny), Chapter 39, Statutes of 2007, was enacted on July 10, 2007. The proponent has until October 8, 2007 to submit petition signatures.

The Secretary of State’s tracking number for this measure is 1259 and the Attorney General’s tracking number is 07-0036.

The proponent of the referendum is Jack Gribbon. The proponent can be reached at 243 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102. No phone number was provided.

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