

Initiative Measure to Be Submitted Directly to the Voters

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

ELIMINATES THE LAW ALLOWING MARRIED COUPLES TO DIVORCE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Changes the California Constitution to eliminate the ability of married couples to get divorced in California. Preserves the ability of married couples to seek an annulment. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: Savings to the state of up to hundreds of millions of dollars annually for support of the court system due to the elimination of divorce proceedings.

To the Honorable Secretary of State of California

We, the undersigned, registered, qualified voters of California, residents of _____ County (or City and County), hereby propose amendments to the Constitution of California and petition the Secretary of State to submit the same to the voters of California for their adoption or rejection at the next succeeding general election or at any special statewide election held prior to that general election or otherwise provided by law. The proposed constitutional amendments read as follows:

SECTION 1. Title. This act shall be known as the "2012 California Marriage Protection Act."

SECTION 2. Section 7.6 is added to Article I of the California Constitution, to read: No party to any marriage shall be restored to the state of an unmarried person during the lifetime of the other party unless the marriage is void or voidable.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC THIS PETITION MAY BE CIRCULATED BY A PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER OR A VOLUNTEER. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK.

All signers of this petition must be registered to vote in _____ County.		This column for official use only
1.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	
2.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	
3.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	
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5.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	
6.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	
7.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	
8.	Print Your Name: _____ Residence Address ONLY: _____ Sign As Registered To Vote: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____	

DECLARATION OF CIRCULATOR (To be completed in the circulator's own hand after the above signatures have been obtained.)

I, _____, am registered to vote or am qualified to register to vote in the State of California.
(print name)

My residence address is _____ . I circulated this section of the petition and witnessed each of
(address, city, state, zip)
 the appended signatures being written. Each signature on this petition is, to the best of my information and belief, the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be. All signatures on this document were obtained between the dates of _____ and _____
(month, day, year) (month, day, year)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, at _____, California. Signature of Circulator _____
(month, day) (year) (place of signing) (complete signature indicating full name of circulator)