

The Peace and Freedom Party says:

Vote NO on Propositions 73–78

Proposition 73

attacks the privacy rights and reproductive freedom of young women. It would lead to increases in teenage suicide, unwanted children and illegal abortions. *Vote NO on 73.*

Proposition 76

limits the amount of state spending, reduces guaranteed funding to schools, and gives the governor dictatorial powers to make midyear cuts to spending, including cutting employees' pay and social services, to balance the budget. *Vote NO on 76.*

Proposition 74

makes it take five years for a new school teacher to get a permanent job, and makes it easier for tenured teachers to be fired for union activity, sexual orientation or failure to embrace the latest corporate fads in education. *Vote NO on 74.*

Proposition 77

gives the power to draw legislative districts to a panel of retired judges instead of the legislature. It forces an immediate redistricting in addition to the ones that happen every ten years after the census. Gerrymandering is a problem, but proportional representation of political parties by the votes they get is the real solution. *Vote NO on 77.*

Proposition 75

is the “paycheck deception act.” It makes it harder for public employee unions to engage in political activity by requiring workers to sign a new form every year before any of their union dues could be spent on political activities. With unions weakened, the way would be paved for more attacks on public services like schools, transportation and health care. *Vote NO on 75.*

Proposition 78

was put on the ballot by the big drug companies to head off Proposition 79, the similar initiative sponsored by labor and consumer groups. It's a total scam. *Vote NO on 78.*

Vote YES on Propositions 79 and 80

Proposition 79

would make drug companies negotiate with the state for a rebate to fund discounted drug prices to lower-income Californians, and prohibit new Medi-Cal contracts for drugs not at the best negotiated price (unless there is no therapeutic equivalent). The measure also

bans prescription drug profiteering. The real solution to drug costs, as well as other health care costs, is a publicly-funded universal health-care program; but this measure is a step forward which would actually save lives. *Vote YES on 79.*

Proposition 80

would re-regulate the electrical utility industry. It tries to undo some of the damage caused by the bipartisan electricity deregulation of the 1990s. The best way to get affordable and sustainable electric power is by publicly-owned electric utilities, but this measure is a step forward. *Vote YES on 80.*

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