

**DUBLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT MEASURE L**

L **MEASURE L:** To support high academic achievement in math, science, reading, writing, and technology; attract and retain highly qualified teachers; maintain small class sizes; and provide ongoing teacher training, shall the Dublin Unified School District levy \$96 dollars per parcel annually for five (5) years with an exemption for seniors and disabled persons, an independent citizens’ oversight committee, no money for administrator salaries and all dollars staying in our community to maintain a high quality education?

YES

NO

**COUNTY COUNSEL’S IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF
MEASURE L**

**ANALYSIS BY THE ALAMEDA COUNTY COUNSEL
OF A DUBLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL PARCEL TAX MEASURE L**

Measure L, a Dublin Unified School District (“District”) special parcel tax measure, seeks voter approval to authorize the District to levy a five-year special parcel tax in the amount of \$96 per year on each parcel of taxable real property beginning July 1, 2009, to fund the programs set forth in the measure.

A school district has the authority to levy special taxes upon approval by two-thirds of the votes cast on the special tax proposal pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Article XIII A and Section 2 of Article XIII C of the California Constitution and sections 50075-50077, 50079 and 53722 of the California Government Code.

If two-thirds of the qualified electors voting on this measure vote for approval, the allocation of the funding revenue is to be used for the specific purposes set forth in the full text of the measure printed in this sample ballot, including recruiting and training teachers, providing elementary science specialists, maintaining small class sizes, and providing textbooks and educational materials. The measure further provides that the monies collected shall be accounted for separately and shall be expended only for those specified purposes. A citizens’ oversight committee will ensure that the special tax monies are spent for their authorized purposes and report annually to the Board of Trustees and the public regarding the expenditure of such monies.

If the measure passes, a special tax will be imposed annually in the amount of \$96 per year on each parcel of taxable real property beginning July 1, 2009 and continuing until June 30, 2014. The tax will be collected by the Alameda County Treasurer-Tax Collector at the same time and in the same manner as *ad valorem* property taxes are collected. Upon application to the District, an exemption may be granted to a parcel owner 65 years or older who occupies the parcel as his or her principal residence, or a parcel owner receiving SSI for a disability who occupies the parcel as his or her principal residence. Real property

otherwise exempted from taxation under California laws is also exempt from the special tax. Any contiguous parcels used solely for one owner-occupied single-family residence and held under identical ownership shall, upon approval of an application to the District, be treated as a single parcel for purposes of the special tax.

If two-thirds of the qualified electors voting on this measure do not vote for approval, the measure will fail, and the Dublin Unified School District will not be authorized to levy the special tax.

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