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Cal-Tax has taken the following positions on the March 5, 2002 ballot propositions:

**Proposition 40 – Support.** *The California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002.* This is a \$2.6 billion general obligation bond act, the purposes for which are generally specified in the title of the measure. The Cal-Tax Board of Directors felt this measure is an appropriate way to address environmental and infrastructure needs. Bond financing is appropriate for long-term projects that will benefit future generations. The board also is concerned that failure to provide a statewide source of funding for such infrastructure would result in additional costs for the buyers of new homes.

**Proposition 41 – Oppose.** *Voting Modernization Bond Act of 2002.* This is a \$200 million general obligation bond act to replace punch card voting systems with modern equipment. Cal-Tax's directors believe that individual counties should be able to acquire appropriate voting machinery within existing budgets. Bond funds should not be used for computers or other equipment that have relatively short useful lives.

**Proposition 42 – Support.** *Transportation Congestion Improvement Act.* This measure allocates existing motor vehicle fuel sales and use tax revenues for transportation purposes only. Cal-Tax directors authorized the signing of ballot arguments in support of this constitutional amendment because of the crucial need for improvements to the state's network of freeways, local streets and roads, and mass transit. Adequate transportation is vital to the state's commerce and quality of life of its growing population.

**Proposition 43 – No Recommendation.** *Right to Have Vote Counted.* This proposed constitutional amendment is outside the purview of Cal-Tax.

**Proposition 44 – No Recommendation.** *Chiropractors. Unprofessional Conduct.* This proposal is outside the purview of Cal-Tax.

**Proposition 45 – No Recommendation.** *Legislative Term Limits. Local Voter Petitions.* This initiative is outside the purview of Cal-Tax.