

An Initiative Constitutional Amendment  
from the  
Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association  
Initiative 25-0006A1  
[SaveProp13.com](http://SaveProp13.com)

PRINT, SIGN, MAIL, SAVE PROP 13 !

“We are in a war over whether it will or will not be easier to raise your taxes. We think it should NOT be easier to raise your taxes. If you agree with us, please sign the petition to help us pass the Local Taxpayer Protection Act to Save Proposition 13.”

— Jon Coupal, President, HJTA

Thank you for your help to Save Proposition 13!

**The official petition to get this measure on the ballot** is on the next page.

Here's what's included in this pdf file:

1. This cover sheet, with a clip-and-tape mailing label for your convenience in mailing back the signed petition.
2. **The official petition.** You may print as many copies as you'd like to circulate to collect signatures. (But each voter may sign only once.)
3. Easy illustrated instructions to make sure the signatures count.
4. If you'd like to support the Protect Prop. 13 committee along with sending in your petition, a donation form is included for your convenience.
5. The official Top Funders list, valid for the current month. (Updates are available at [SaveProp13.com](http://SaveProp13.com))

There's much more information at [SaveProp13.com](http://SaveProp13.com). Thank you!

Before mailing, please check to make sure:

Petition signers wrote their home street address and city

The Declaration of Circulator is completely filled out and signed

No “white out” or correction tape was used on the petition

Thank you!

✂ Clip and tape mailing label:

**Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association  
1201 K Street, Suite 1030  
Sacramento, CA 95814**

Petition enclosed

**INITIATIVE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE VOTERS.**

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

**(25-0006A1.) LIMITS ABILITY OF VOTERS TO RAISE REVENUES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.** Limits voters' ability to pass voter-proposed local special taxes by raising the vote approval threshold requirement for such ballot measures from a simple majority (over 50%) to two-thirds. In charter cities, prohibits voters from approving real estate transfer taxes other than the existing 0.11% transfer tax authorized by Revenue and Taxation Code section 11911. Overturns all existing voter-approved property-related taxes, including real estate sales and transfer taxes, that do not comply with these requirements two years after the measure is enacted. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: Annual loss of revenues to local governments totaling up to a couple of billion dollars, predominantly affecting certain charter cities. Potential future reduction in what local governments would otherwise collect in revenues due to a higher vote threshold for certain taxes and fewer types of taxes that local governments can adopt.

To the Honorable Secretary of State of California:

We, the undersigned, registered, qualified voters of California, residents of the County (or City and County) referenced on this petition, hereby propose amendments to the Constitution of California relating to taxes 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 as otherwise provided by law. The proposed constitutional amendments (full title and text of the measure) read as follows:

Section 4.5 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution is added to read:

**Sec. 4.5. RESTORING LOCAL TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS.**

(a) Starting with Proposition 13 in 1978, California voters have passed four statewide initiatives to protect themselves from excessive taxation, limit property-related taxes, and require two-thirds voter approval for local special taxes. These protections were the law for decades. Despite the voters' clear intent, court-created loopholes have allowed special interests to pass billions in new and higher taxes, including real property transfer taxes greatly exceeding the statutory limit for most cities. Academic studies show high transfer taxes undermine state efforts to build housing and reduce the property tax revenue that funds local schools and public services, thus forcing the state to backfill such funding. This section will reverse loopholes and restore taxpayer protections. Its interlocking provisions are a matter of statewide concern to ensure effective tax relief, promote state efforts to build sufficient housing, and protect local property tax revenue. It will apply to all forms of local government, including charter cities.

(b) Notwithstanding article II and article XI, no local government, including the electorate of a local government exercising the initiative power, may impose, extend, or increase any special tax except as provided in section 4 of this article, section 2(d) of article XIII C and section (3)(a)(2) of article XIII D, and unless and until that tax is submitted to the electorate and approved by a two-thirds vote.

(c) Notwithstanding article II and article XI, no local government, including the electorate of a local government exercising the initiative power, may impose the following: ad valorem taxes on real property except as provided in section (3)(a)(1) of article XIII D; any non-ad valorem general tax upon any parcel of real property or upon any person as an incident of real property ownership; or any transaction tax, sales tax, documentary transfer tax, or other tax related to real property sales, transfers, documents or recordings except for the tax, and not exceeding the rate, specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) of section 11911 of the Revenue and Taxation Code as it existed on January 1, 2025.

(d) Any tax upon any parcel of real property or upon any person as an incident of real property ownership enacted prior to the effective date of this section that does not comply with this section, and any transaction tax, sales tax, documentary transfer tax, or other tax related to real property sales, transfers, documents or recordings enacted prior to the effective date of this section that does not comply with this section shall become null and void on December 31 two years following the enactment of this section.

(e) "Local government," "special tax," and "general tax" shall have the same meaning as provided in section 1 of article XIII C. The term "electorate" as used herein and in section 2 of article XIII C and the term "qualified electors" as used in section 4 of article XIII A, means the electors or voters, including property owners, entitled to vote to approve or reject a general or special tax under the statute authorizing the tax as it existed on January 1, 2025. The term "initiative power" applies to the initiative power reserved in or derived from the constitution, statute, or charter law. This section shall be liberally construed and applied to effectuate its purposes. Any provision of this section held invalid is severable. Notwithstanding any other law, if approved by a majority of the qualified electors, this section shall become effective pursuant to section 4 of article XVIII as it existed on January 1, 2025.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: THIS PETITION MAY BE CIRCULATED BY A PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER OR A VOLUNTEER. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK. THE PROPONENTS OF THIS PROPOSED INITIATIVE MEASURE HAVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW THIS PETITION AT ANY TIME BEFORE THE MEASURE QUALIFIES FOR THE BALLOT.**

➔ All signers of this petition must be **registered to vote in**  **County.** THIS COLUMN FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

<div>➔ <b>1. Print Name</b> _____ ➔ <b>Residential Street</b> _____</div> <div><small>DO NOT SIGN UNLESS you have seen Official Top Funders sheet and its month is still valid.</small> ➔ <b>Address ONLY:</b> _____</div> <div>➔ <b>Signature</b> _____ ➔ <b>City:</b> _____</div>	
<div>➔ <b>2. Print Name</b> _____ ➔ <b>Residential Street</b> _____</div> <div><small>DO NOT SIGN UNLESS you have seen Official Top Funders sheet and its month is still valid.</small> ➔ <b>Address ONLY:</b> _____</div> <div>➔ <b>Signature</b> _____ ➔ <b>City:</b> _____</div>	

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

- ➔ I, \_\_\_\_\_, am 18 years of age or older.
- ➔ My residence address is \_\_\_\_\_, City \_\_\_\_\_, St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_.
- I circulated this section of the petition and witnessed each of 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 \_\_\_\_\_.
- I showed each signer a valid and unfalsified "Official Top Funders" sheet, as required by Section 107. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.
- ➔ Executed on \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, CA.
- ➔ **Signature of Circulator** \_\_\_\_\_

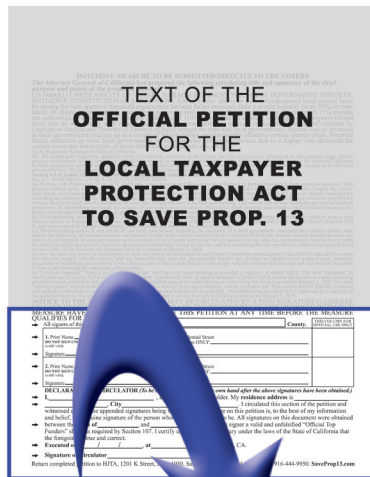
Return completed petition to HJTA, 1201 K Street, Suite 1030, Sacramento, CA 95814. Questions? 916-444-9950. **SaveProp13.com**



# Make sure your signature counts! Easy as 1-2-3.

Check voter registration:  
[RegisterToVote.ca.gov](http://RegisterToVote.ca.gov)

View Top Funders list:  
[SaveProp13.com](http://SaveProp13.com)



**Step 1** Write in the county where the voters who sign this petition are registered to vote. Two different counties? Use two separate petitions.

**Step 2** Using blue or black ink, print your name, sign your name, and write your residential street address and city. This must be the address where you are registered to vote. Each voter must write their own information. The second voter's signature is optional. You can return the petition with one signature.

**Step 3** Complete and sign the Declaration of Circulator. This is the official certification that you witnessed the voter signing the petition (even if you witnessed your own signature). This is an essential step! Without a completed and signed Declaration of Circulator, the signatures on the petition will not count. You can be the circulator for an unlimited number of petitions. Of course, you can only sign once in the signature blocks for voter signatures. Duplicate voter signatures will not count.

	MEASURE HAVE THE RIGHT TO WITHDRAW THIS PETITION AT ANY TIME BEFORE THE MEASURE QUALIFIES FOR THE BALLOT.	County.	THIS COLUMN FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
<b>Step 1</b>	All signers of this petition must be registered to vote in <u>LOS ANGELES</u> (EXAMPLE)		
<b>Step 2</b>	<div>1. Print Name <u>VALERIE VOTER</u> DO NOT SIGN UNLESS you have seen Official Top Funders sheet and its month is still valid. Signature <u>Valerie Voter</u></div> <div>Residential Street Address ONLY: <u>123 HOME STREET</u> City: <u>LONG BEACH</u> (EXAMPLE)</div>		
<b>Optional</b>	<div>2. Print Name <u>Vincent Voter</u> DO NOT SIGN UNLESS you have seen Official Top Funders sheet and its month is still valid. Signature <u>Vincent Voter</u></div> <div>Residential Street Address ONLY: <u>321 Residenz Ave.</u> City: <u>West Covina</u></div>		
<b>Step 3</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF CIRCULATOR (To be completed in circulator's own hand after the above signatures have been obtained.)</b> I, <u>VALERIE VOTER</u> , am 18 years of age or older. → My residence address is <u>123 HOME STREET</u> , City <u>LONG BEACH</u> , St <u>CA</u> Zip <u>90801</u> I circulated this section of the petition and witnessed each of 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 <u>9-5-25</u> and <u>9-6-25</u> . I showed each signer a valid and unfalsified "Official Top Funders" sheet, as required by Section 107. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. → Executed on <u>9 / 6 / 2025</u> , at <u>LONG BEACH</u> , CA. → Signature of Circulator <u>Valerie Voter</u>		
<b>Mail to:</b>	Return completed petition to HJTA, 1201 K Street, Suite 1030, Sacramento, CA 95814. Questions? 916-444-9950. <a href="http://SaveProp13.com">SaveProp13.com</a>		

In the example above, Valerie Voter signed the petition and is also the circulator. Her brother Vincent lives in the same county, so he could sign the same petition. Then Valerie filled out and signed the Declaration of Circulator showing the dates she collected the signatures and the date and place where she signed (executed) the Declaration of Circulator. The petition is ready to mail to the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, 1201 K Street, Suite 1030, Sacramento, CA 95814.

© 2025 HJTA

Ad paid for by Protect Prop. 13, a project of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association



# PROTECT PROPOSITION 13

A Project of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

## MAIL-IN DONATION FORM

To protect California taxpayers from the rampant tax increases that would become an annual occurrence if we ever lost Proposition 13, the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association has established a special campaign committee: Protect Prop. 13, A Project of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association.

Donations to this committee may be used for radio and TV ads, campaign mail, yard signs and all the other efforts that go into a campaign related to ballot measures.

Please print, complete and mail this form with your check if you are making a donation. You can enclose your signed petition in the same envelope. Thank you for protecting Proposition 13!

OPTIONAL,  
OF COURSE!

Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association  
1201 K Street, Suite 1030  
Sacramento, CA 95814

### Donor Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(P.O. box addresses are not permitted.)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

☐ My check is enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to **"Protect Proposition 13"**.



Or donate securely online at [SaveProp13.com](http://SaveProp13.com)

### CONTRIBUTOR INFORMATION

**IMPORTANT:** State law requires us to collect the following information within 60 days or return your contribution. Money orders and cashier's checks cannot be accepted.

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF DONOR IS:** (Choose One)

☐ **A BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION:**

☐ Corporation ☐ LLC ☐ Partnership ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of individual with primary responsibility for approving this contribution: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **An INDIVIDUAL, complete the following:**

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

(If self-employed, please print name of business in Name of Employer space above. If retired, please print "none.")

Contributions to the Protect Prop. 13 Committee are not tax deductible.

PP13 does not solicit or accept any "earmarked" contributions. All expenditure decisions are made solely by the Principal Officer(s) of the Committee.

Ad paid for by Protect Prop. 13, a Project of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

## **OFFICIAL TOP FUNDERS. Valid only for September 2025**

### **LIMITS ABILITY OF VOTERS TO RAISE REVENUES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

**Petition circulation paid for by**  
Protect Prop. 13, a project of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

Latest Official Top Funders: <https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-measures/initiative-and-referendum-status/official-top-funders>

### **OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY (SAME AS ON PETITION)**

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

(25-0006A1.) LIMITS ABILITY OF VOTERS TO RAISE REVENUES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Limits voters' ability to pass voter-proposed local special taxes by raising the vote approval threshold requirement for such ballot measures from a simple majority (over 50%) to two-thirds. In charter cities, prohibits voters from approving real estate transfer taxes other than the existing 0.11% transfer tax authorized by Revenue and Taxation Code section 11911. Overturns all existing voter-approved property-related taxes, including real estate sales and transfer taxes, that do not comply with these requirements two years after the measure is enacted. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: Annual loss of revenues to local governments totaling up to a couple of billion dollars, predominantly affecting certain charter cities. Potential future reduction in what local governments would otherwise collect in revenues due to a higher vote threshold for certain taxes and fewer types of taxes that local governments can adopt.

An explanatory note:

The petition continues to be valid, it's just the Top Funders list that is valid only for the current month. "Top funders" are donors who have contributed \$50,000 or more in the last 12 months. If there are no donors who meet those conditions, the Top Funders sheet shows only that the Protect Prop. 13 Committee is paying for the petition circulation.