

Interoffice Memo

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SUBJECT: COUNTY COUNSEL ANALYSIS -BARSTOW UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR

ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Measure ____ is submitted to the voters by the Barstow Unified School District ("District") to authorize the District to repair/upgrade aging classrooms and restrooms, and fix leaky roofs in order to maintain student health/safety and retain/attract quality teachers; to remove hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead paint, upgrade security, improve outdated plumbing/electrical systems/gas lines, technology, computer/science labs; repair, construct, and acquire school facilities, sites and equipment.

A "yes" vote by at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters voting on this measure will authorize the Board of Trustees of the District to issue and sell bonds to benefit the District in the amount of thirty nine million dollars (\$39,000,000). If fewer than fifty-five percent (55%) of the voters voting on this measure vote "yes", the Board of Trustees of the District will not be authorized to issue and sell the \$39,000,000 in bonds set forth in the measure.

The bond proceeds may not be used for any other purpose, including teacher and administrator salaries or pensions and other school operating expenses.

The District will conduct financial and performance audits annually and will appoint a citizens oversight committee to ensure that bond proceeds are spent only on the school facility projects listed in the measure.

The bonded debt will be a general obligation of the District and will be financed by property taxes levied annually on taxable property located within the District in an amount necessary to pay the annual debt obligation.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure _____. If you desire a copy of the measure, please call the Barstow Unified School District at (XXX) XXX-XXXX and a copy will be mailed to you at no cost.

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