



THE PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA (PPIC) AND THE  
CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR FEDERAL POLICY RESEARCH  
invite you to attend a

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***PPIC LUNCHEON BRIEFING: Findings from the  
Statewide Survey on Californians and the Initiative Process***

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**Tuesday, October 11, 2005  
12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m.  
Room 2168, Rayburn House Office Building  
"The Gold Room"**

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On November 8th, California voters will have the opportunity to participate in a special election including eight citizens' initiatives. The last statewide special election was held in 2003, recalling the governor; and before that, there were three proposition-only special elections—in 1973, 1979, and 1993.

The PPIC Statewide Survey series on Californians and the Initiative Process, supported with funding from The James Irvine Foundation, provides information on Californians' attitudes toward the citizens' initiative process, their reactions to the special election and its state ballot measures, and the role of government distrust in shaping public opinion about the legislative process, the initiative process, and fiscal and governance reforms.

You are invited to attend a luncheon briefing to hear the latest information from the PPIC Statewide Survey, on Tuesday, October 11, 2005, at 12:00 noon, in Room 2168 (the "Gold Room") of the Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, DC. Copies of recent surveys will be available at the event and also may be viewed at <http://www.ppic.org>.

At the briefing, Mark Baldassare, Survey Director and Director of Research at PPIC, will present the results of recent surveys on several of the ballot measures in the special election. He will also discuss the current context of California public opinion on state and national issues, including the president's and governor's approval ratings, perceptions of the state and national economy, and current attitudes toward the response to Hurricane Katrina and rising gasoline prices.

To attend this lunch briefing, please reply (acceptances only, thank you) to 202-546-3700, or send email to [ransdell@calinst.org](mailto:ransdell@calinst.org). We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.