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SECRETARY OF STATE
KEVIN SHELLEY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

June 16, 2004

TO: ALL COUNTY CLERKS/REGISTRARS OF VOTERS AND
PROPOSERS (04194)

FROM: Brianna Lierman
BRIANNA LIERMAN
ELECTIONS ANALYST

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SUBJECT: FAILURE OF INITIATIVE #1020

Pursuant to Elections Code section 9030(b), you are hereby notified that the total number of signatures to the hereinafter named INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT filed with all county elections officials is less than 100 percent of the number of qualified voters required to find the petition sufficient; therefore, the petition has **failed**.

TITLE: USE OF AUTHORIZED OR KING JAMES BIBLE
AS TEXTBOOK FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE.

SUMMARY DATE: 12/26/03

PROPOSER: Matt McLaughlin





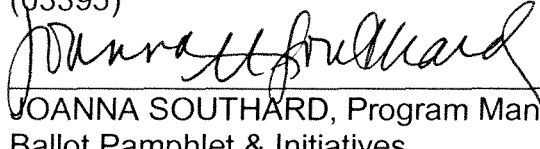
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December 26, 2003

TO: ALL REGISTRARS OF VOTERS OR COUNTY CLERKS AND PROPONENTS
(03395)
FROM: 
JOANNA SOUTHARD, Program Manager
Ballot Pamphlet & Initiatives

SUBJECT: **Initiative #1020**

Pursuant to Elections Code section 9002, we transmit herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed initiative measure entitled:

**USE OF AUTHORIZED OR KING JAMES BIBLE
AS TEXTBOOK FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

The proponent of the above-named measure is:

Matt McLaughlin
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**#1020
USE OF AUTHORIZED OR KING JAMES BIBLE
AS TEXTBOOK FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.**

CIRCULATING AND FILING SCHEDULE

1. Minimum number of signatures required: 598,105
California Constitution, Article II, Section 8(b)

2. Official Summary Date:..... Friday, 12/26/03

3. Petitions Sections:
 - a. First day Proponent can circulate Sections for
signatures (EC §336) Friday, 12/26/03

 - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and file
with the county. All sections are to be filed at the
same time within each county (EC §336, 9030(a)).....Monday, 05/24/04

 - c. Last day for county to determine total number of
signatures affixed to petitions and to transmit total
to the Secretary of State (EC §9030(b)). Friday, 06/04/04

(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to 05/24/04,
the county has eight working days from the filing of the petition to determine the
total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to transmit the total to the
Secretary of State) (EC §9030(b)).

 - d. Secretary of State determines whether the total number
of signatures filed with all county clerks/registrars of
voters meets the minimum number of required signatures,
and notifies the counties..... Sunday, 06/13/04*

 - e. Last day for county to determine total number of qualified
voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate
with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State
(EC §9030(d)(e)) Friday, 07/23/04

*Date varies based on the date of county receipt of verification.

INITIATIVE #1020

Circulating and Filing Schedule continued:

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who signed the petition on a date other than 06/13/04, the last day is no later than the thirtieth day after the county's receipt of notification). (EC §9030(d)(e)).

f. If the signature count is more than 657,916 or less than 568,200 then the Secretary of State certifies the petition as qualified or failed, and notifies the counties. If the signature count is between 568,200 and 657,916 inclusive, then the Secretary of State notifies the counties using the random sampling technique to determine the validity of **all** signatures..... Monday, 08/02/04*

g. Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified voters who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State. (EC §9031(b)(c)). Wednesday, 09/15/04

(If the Secretary of State notifies the county to determine the number of qualified voters who have signed the petition on a date other than 08/02/04, the last day is no later than the thirtieth working day after the county's receipt of notification) (EC §9031(b)(c)).

h. Secretary of State certifies whether the petition has been signed by the number of qualified voters required to declare the petition sufficient (EC §9031(d); 9033)..... Sunday, 09/19/04*

*Date varies based on receipt of county certification.

IMPORTANT POINTS

- California law prohibits the use of signatures, names and addresses gathered on initiative petitions for any purpose other than to qualify the initiative measure for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fundraising or requests for support. Any such misuses constitute a crime under California law. Elections Code section 18650; *Bilofsky v. Deukmejian* (1981) 124 Cal. App. 3d 825, 177 Cal. Rptr. 621; 63 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 37 (1980).
- Please refer to Elections Code sections 100,101,104,9001, 9008, 9009, 9021, and 9022 for appropriate format and type consideration in printing, typing and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Please send a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file.
- Your attention is directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the **Political Reform Act of 1974**, Government Code section 81000 et seq.
- When writing or calling state or county elections officials, provide the official title of the initiative which was prepared by the Attorney General. Use of this title will assist elections officials in referencing the proper file.
- When a petition is presented to the county elections official for filing by someone other than the proponent, the required authorization shall include the name or names of the persons filing the petition.
- When filing the petition with the county elections official, please provide a blank petition for elections official use.

Enclosures

BILL LOCKYER
Attorney General

State of California
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



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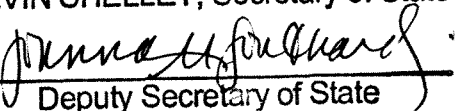
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Kevin Shelley
Secretary of State
1500 - 11th Street, 5th Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

KEVIN SHELLEY, Secretary of State

RE: Initiative Title and Summary
SUBJECT: USE OF AUTHORIZED OR KING JAMES BIBLE
AS TEXTBOOK FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.
FILE NO: SA2003RF0054, Amdt. #1-NS

By 
Deputy Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Shelley:

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 9004 and 336 of the Elections Code, you are hereby notified that on this day we mailed our title and summary to the proponent of the above-identified proposed initiative.

Enclosed is a copy of our transmittal letter to the proponent, a copy of our title and summary, a declaration of service thereof, and a copy of the proposed measure.

According to information available in our records, the name and address of the proponent is as stated on the declaration of service.

Sincerely,



TRICIA KNIGHT
Initiative Coordinator

For BILL LOCKYER
Attorney General

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

USE OF AUTHORIZED OR KING JAMES BIBLE AS TEXTBOOK FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH TWELVE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Adds constitutional provision permitting use of Authorized or King James Bible (including translators' preface and introductory remarks, standard concordance and glossary) as a textbook for voluntary study of the Bible as literature, without devotional or denominational purpose. This textbook would be provided without cost to each pupil in grades one through twelve whose parents do not object and elect to opt out of study program. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: Additional costs to the state and/or school districts from providing copies of the Bible to students: (1) one-time costs in the tens of millions of dollars up to \$200 million and (2) annual costs in the low millions to tens of millions of dollars.

SA2003RF0054, AmDT
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KingJamesTextbook.com

November 12, 2003

Ms. Tricia Knight
Initiative Coordinator
Office of the Attorney General
1300 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR
ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

RE: File # SA2003RF0054 (King James Textbook Initiative)

Dear Ms. Knight:

As the proponent I submit a draft of the proposed initiative measure to your office and request that a title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed initiative measure be prepared. This is a nonmaterial resubmittal, the \$200 fee has been provided (Check #5005).

Suggested chief purpose and points for your consideration: "Amends California Constitution to provided the King James Bible as a textbook for grades one through twelve, to pupils whose parents do not opt-out by specific objection, for voluntary reading and study. Provides that study of the book be without a devotional purpose, denominational, nor doctrinal instruction. Requires that the law be interpreted and applied consistent with statements by the U.S. Supreme Court that Constitutionally permit integrating the Bible into the public school curriculum when presented objectively as part of a secular program of education."

Please display the proponent's email address for all public communication as follows: Info@KingJamesTextbook.com.

Thank you,



Matt McLaughlin

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SA2003AF0054
Amot. 7.1-1

The People of California add and amend Art. IX § 7.7 to the California Constitution, entitled "Authorized or King James Textbook" as follows:

§ 7.7 Whereas the Authorized or King James Bible of 1611, was one of the supreme achievements of the English Renaissance, and is rightly regarded as one of the most influential books in the history of English civilization, which has served as a model of writing for generations of English-speaking people, and is an acclaimed literary work of great historic importance, and whereas it is commendable in the study of such secular disciplines as history, literature, culture, poetry, law, language, ethics, science, and philosophy, such that familiarity with the work broadens the education of the mind, and can, and for this statute shall, be done without a devotional purpose nor any denominational instruction to accept or reject its religious components, for as the general education of the populace, and not the establishment of any sectarian religion nor doctrinal instruction, shall be the purpose or effect herein (and such avowed purposes are to be clearly announced), the People therefore direct that the King James Bible, without apocrypha, conformable in spelling, capitalization, and typeface to modern text, and including the translators' preface to King James, the translators' introductory remarks to the reader, a standard concordance, a glossary defining only archaic words and pronouns, and without commentary, footnotes, or margin notes, is to be provided henceforth as a textbook for grades one through twelve to be furnished without cost to each of those pupils whose parents do not opt-out by specific objection. The reading and study of the book shall be voluntary. This statute shall be interpreted and applied consistent with these statements by the United States Supreme Court: "[I]ntegrated into the school curriculum, where the Bible may constitutionally be used in an appropriate study of history, civilization, ethics, comparative religion, or the like." (Stone vs. Graham, 449 U.S. 39 (1980)), and, "It certainly may be said that the Bible is worthy of study for its literary and historic qualities. Nothing we have said here indicates that such study of the Bible or of religion, when presented objectively as part of a secular program of education, may not be effected consistently with the First Amendment." (School District of Abington Township vs. Schempp, 374 U.S. 225 (1963)).