

1274. Treatment of Farm Animals. Statute.

COUNTY	PETITION	SOS	SOS	RAW	RANDOM		VALID	INVALID	DUP.	VALID OR		%
	FILED	REC'D	REC'D		SAMPLE/	VALID				PROJ. VALID		
	W/COUNTY	RAW	RANDOM	COUNT	FULL CHECK	SIGS.						
1. ALAMEDA	02/27/08	03/17/08	03/24/08	42,383	1,271	1,038	233	0	34,613	81.7%		
2. ALPINE	02/27/08	03/06/08	03/06/08	4	4	3	1	0	3	75.0%		
3. AMADOR	02/27/08	03/04/08	03/17/08	416	416	337	79	2	337	81.0%		
4. BUTTE	02/27/08	03/13/08	03/13/08	4,423	500	358	142	4	2,889	65.3%		
5. CALAVERAS	02/27/08	03/05/08	03/07/08	289	289	229	53	7	229	79.2%		
6. COLUSA	02/27/08	02/27/08	03/28/08	32	32	25	7	0	25	78.1%		
7. CONTRA COSTA	02/27/08	03/11/08	03/20/08	22,729	682	562	120	0	18,730	82.4%		
8. DEL NORTE	02/27/08	03/07/08	03/24/08	60	60	44	16	0	44	73.3%		
9. EL DORADO	02/28/08	03/03/08	03/17/08	1,655	500	395	105	3	1,285	77.6%		
10. FRESNO	02/27/08	03/06/08	03/21/08	13,152	500	408	92	0	10,732	81.6%		
11. GLENN	02/27/08	03/04/08	03/21/08	233	233	167	66	2	167	71.7%		
12. HUMBOLDT	02/26/08	03/10/08	04/04/08	1,593	500	352	148	5	1,087	68.2%		
13. IMPERIAL	02/26/08	02/26/08	03/27/08	981	500	241	258	1	471	48.0%		
14. INYO	02/27/08	03/03/08	03/03/08	35	35	29	6	0	29	82.9%		
15. KERN	02/27/08	03/04/08	04/03/08	4,935	500	371	129	1	3,574	72.4%		
16. KINGS	02/27/08	03/04/08	03/21/08	557	500	352	148	3	392	70.3%		
17. LAKE	02/28/08	03/03/08	04/01/08	792	500	342	158	6	536	67.7%		
18. LASSEN	02/28/08	03/03/08		8					0	0.0%		
19. LOS ANGELES	02/28/08	03/10/08	04/07/08	187,577	5,627	4,266	1,361	5	136,818	72.9%		
20. MADERA	02/27/08	03/24/08		2,010					0	0.0%		
21. MARIN	02/27/08	03/07/08	03/20/08	22,941	688	571	117	0	19,040	83.0%		
22. MARIPOSA	02/27/08	03/05/08	03/18/08	176	176	140	36	1	140	79.5%		
23. MENDOCINO	02/27/08	02/27/08	03/19/08	1,228	500	414	86	4	1,002	81.6%		
24. MERCED	02/27/08	03/17/08	03/19/08	2,379	500	364	136	0	1,732	72.8%		
25. MODOC	02/23/08	03/06/08	03/06/08	61	61	50	11	0	50	82.0%		
26. MONO									0	0.0%		
27. MONTEREY	02/27/08	03/03/08	04/04/08	6,676	500	402	98	1	5,203	77.9%		
28. NAPA	02/27/08	03/03/08	03/19/08	2,707	500	409	91	4	2,119	78.3%		
29. NEVADA	02/28/08	03/04/08	03/19/08	2,484	500	405	95	6	1,894	76.2%		
30. ORANGE	02/27/08	03/10/08	03/28/08	72,930	2,188	1,699	489	4	52,320	71.7%		
31. PLACER	02/28/08	02/28/08	03/03/08	4,126	500	425	75	2	3,387	82.1%		
32. PLUMAS	02/27/08	03/16/08	03/16/08	81	81	61	20	0	61	75.3%		
33. RIVERSIDE	02/27/08	03/10/08	03/25/08	27,324	820	664	156	2	19,972	73.1%		
34. SACRAMENTO	02/27/08	03/07/08	03/31/08	21,065	632	502	130	0	16,732	79.4%		
35. SAN BENITO	02/27/08	03/04/08	03/21/08	993	500	387	113	7	755	76.0%		
36. SAN BERNARDINO	02/27/08	03/07/08	03/25/08	27,975	839	677	162	1	21,495	76.8%		
37. SAN DIEGO	02/27/08	03/05/08	04/03/08	134,204	4,026	3,256	770	9	98,836	73.6%		
38. SAN FRANCISCO	02/27/08	03/04/08	04/10/08	38,586	1,158	951	207	7	24,150	62.6%		
39. SAN JOAQUIN	02/27/08	03/05/08		5,125					0	0.0%		
40. SAN LUIS OBISPO	02/28/08	02/29/08	04/14/08	3,596	500	405	95	0	2,913	81.0%		
41. SAN MATEO	02/27/08	03/05/08		15,316					0	0.0%		
42. SANTA BARBARA	02/27/08	03/04/08	04/01/08	13,645	500	403	97	2	9,563	70.1%		
43. SANTA CLARA	02/27/08	03/10/08	03/18/08	34,050	1,022	876	146	1	28,109	82.6%		
44. SANTA CRUZ									0	0.0%		
45. SHASTA	02/27/08	03/04/08	04/10/08	1,237	500	369	131	3	902	72.9%		
46. SIERRA	02/27/08	03/28/08	03/28/08	13	13	9	4	0	9	69.2%		
47. SISKIYOU	02/28/08	02/28/08	03/14/08	92	92	67	25	0	67	72.8%		
48. SOLANO	02/27/08	03/10/08	03/25/08	8,981	500	387	113	1	6,647	74.0%		
49. SONOMA	02/27/08	03/14/08	03/14/08	18,851	566	473	93	1	14,678	77.9%		
50. STANISLAUS	02/27/08	02/27/08	03/21/08	9,157	500	412	88	3	6,594	72.0%		
51. SUTTER	02/27/08	03/04/08	03/13/08	334	334	271	63	4	271	81.1%		
52. TEHAMA	02/27/08	03/06/08	03/27/08	267	267	208	59	0	208	77.9%		
53. TRINITY	02/27/08	03/11/08		104					0	0.0%		
54. TULARE	02/20/08	03/03/08	04/18/08	3,140	500	396	104	1	2,454	78.1%		
55. TUOLUMNE	02/27/08	02/27/08	03/18/07	247	247	209	38	0	209	84.6%		
56. VENTURA	02/27/08	03/11/08	03/12/08	13,540	500	422	78	2	10,015	74.0%		
57. YOLO	02/27/08	03/07/08	03/20/08	4,696	500	394	106	5	3,306	70.4%		
58. YUBA	02/27/08	02/27/08	03/20/08	316	316	231	85	0	231	73.1%		
TOTAL:				782,507	33,675	26,428	7,239	110	567,023	74.61%		

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The Signature Verification Process

After the proponents of a statewide ballot measure collect voter signatures on their petitions, the petitions are turned in to county elections offices. County elections officials then verify signatures against voter registration records.

Each county reports its information to the Secretary of State, who maintains a signature verification spreadsheet to track what is happening with each pending statewide ballot measure in each of the 58 counties. This spreadsheet tracks the signature reports through the entire qualification process. It includes each county's raw count of signatures, the random sample of signatures, and, if necessary, the full check of signatures.

An initiative or referendum qualifies for the ballot after enough counties have filed certified reports with the Secretary of State showing that the initiative or referendum petition has been signed by the number of voters required by law.

For constitutional amendment measures, 694,354 valid signatures are required, which is equal to 8% of the total votes cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election. (California Constitution, article II, section 8(b); Elections Code section 9035)

For statutory measures and referenda, 433,971 valid signatures are required, which is equal to 5% of the total votes cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election. (California Constitution, article II, section 8(b); Elections Code section 9035)

Glossary of Terms

Duplicate

A signature of a voter who has signed a specific petition more than once is called a "duplicate." Duplicates are included in the total number of invalid signatures. While invalid signatures are simply not counted, the penalty for submitting a duplicate signature is more severe and actually counts against the official total. (California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 20531)

Full Check

If the random sample results project that between 95% and 110% of the petition signatures are valid, then the signature verification process must proceed to a full check of signatures in all counties. County elections officials then have 30 working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) to determine the total number of valid signatures and report the numbers to the Secretary of State. (Elections Code section 9031)

This term is also used in the random sample stage if a county receives less than 500 total petition signatures for a measure and is required to verify all signatures.

Invalid Signature

A county elections official has determined the petition signature is from someone who is not a legally registered voter.

Projected Valid Signatures

In cases where only a random sample of signatures was conducted, the “projected valid” number represents the total projected number of valid signatures based on a random sampling formula established by state law. In cases where a full check of signatures was conducted, the “projected valid” number the total number of valid signatures verified by the county. See also: “random or random sample/full check.”

Random Due

The date by which county elections officials must submit their random sample verification certificates to the Secretary of State.

Random Notice

The date the Secretary of State notified county elections officials to proceed with a random sample verification of petition signatures. Counties have 30 working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) to verify the validity of the signatures filed with their office using a random sampling technique established by state law and report the numbers to the Secretary of State.

Random Sample or Random Sample/Full Check

If the raw count of signatures is equal to or exceeds 100% of the total number of signatures needed to qualify the initiative measure, the Secretary of State directs the county elections officials to begin the random sample signature verification process. County elections officials then have 30 working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) to verify the validity of the signatures filed with their office using a random sampling technique established by state law and report the numbers to the Secretary of State. Each county elections official is required to verify 500 signatures or 3% of the total number of signatures filed in the county, whichever is greater. Counties receiving less than 500 petition signatures are required to do a “full check,” verifying all of the signatures filed. (Elections Code section 9030)

If the results of a random sample project that less than 95% of the required number of petition signatures are valid, then the measure fails to qualify for the ballot. If the random sample results project that 110% or more of the signatures are valid, then the measure qualifies for the ballot. If the random sample results project that between 95% and 110% of the signatures are valid, then the signature verification process proceeds to a full check of signatures in all counties.

Raw Count

Within eight working days (which excludes weekends and holidays) after the petition is filed, county elections officials are required to tally the total number of signatures on the petition sections submitted in their county and report the total to the Secretary of State. If the total, or “raw count,” of signatures on petitions submitted throughout the state is below 100% of the signatures required by law, the Secretary of State notifies the county elections officials that the measure has failed to qualify for the ballot and no further action is taken on that measure. (Elections Code section 9030)

Valid Signature

A county elections official has determined the petition signature is from a legally registered voter.

Disclaimer

This is a working document. The number of valid petition signatures can change daily and this document is updated when there are changes.

County elections officials are responsible for verifying petition signatures and reporting their numbers to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State does not have the legal authority to review petition signatures for validity.