

1 [Ballot Argument]
2 AUTHORIZING PROPONENT'S BALLOT ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION D,
3 A CHARTER AMENDMENT CONCERNING CREATION OF TAXI COMMISSION.

4 IT IS HEREBY MOVED, That pursuant to Section 540 of the
5 Municipal Elections Code, the Board of Supervisors does hereby
6 authorize a ballot argument in favor of Proposition D, a charter
7 amendment concerning creation of Taxi Commission; and, be it

8 FURTHER MOVED, That the full text of said argument hereby
9 authorized be as shown in the copy attached to this motion and is
10 hereby declared to be a part hereof; and, be it

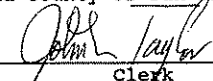
11 FURTHER MOVED, That the Director of Elections be and is hereby
12 authorized and directed to include said argument in the pamphlet
13 accompanying the sample ballots to be mailed to the voters of the
14 City and County of San Francisco for the election to be held on
15 Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

Adopted - Board of Supervisors, San Francisco August 17, 1998

Ayes: Supervisors Ammiano Bierman Brown Katz Kaufman Leno
Medina Newsom Yaki Yee

Absent: Supervisor Teng

I hereby certify that the foregoing motion
was adopted by the Board of Supervisors
of the City and County of San Francisco


Clerk

File No.
98-1307

Supervisor Newsom
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Undersigned authors of this Ballot Argument: X *FOR* or *AGAINST*, *PROPOSITION D* at the election to be held in San Francisco on November 3, 1998 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

FILE NO. 98-1307

Style	KEEP TEXT WITHIN THESE VERTICAL LINES	# of words in each line
Notes		
B, I, or BI	Complaints about lack of taxi service have too long been the rule and not the exception.	15 1
	Recently the San Francisco Police Commission took a major step in reforming taxi service by giving neighborhood residents what they have been advocating for: increasing the number of cabs.	11 11 6
	The Police Commission has not been able to focus its undivided attention on taxi problems because it is the policy-making body for the Police Department.	13 13
	By default, the Police Department has had to deal with policy questions and administrative duties, thus rendering it incapable of providing solutions and enforcement that the public deserves.	13 10 5
B	The complex nature of taxi service necessitates <u>ongoing attention</u> from <u>experts</u> within the various categories of drivers, customers, and the industry. Our present system has led San Francisco to convene a mayoral appointed task force each time we reach a critical point in the degeneration of the industry - approximately every decade. This results in big problems requiring immediate changes. Most affected by this lack of planning are those in outer	11 11 12 13 10 12

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	neighborhoods, seniors and the disabled, who desperately require improved.	9
	enhanced and expanded taxi service.	5
	Proposition D will create an appointed Taxi Commission required to include	11
	representatives from: the senior or disabled community; the neighborhoods; the	10
	labor community, hospitality; the general public; a driver; and a cab company.	12
	The new Taxi Commission would consolidate all responsibilities and duties	10
	relating to taxicabs and other vehicles for hire which are now inefficiently	12
	dispersed throughout the City bureaucracy. The Police Department would	9
	continue to enforce criminal laws relating to taxis.	8
	Transit users including taxi riders in every neighborhood will be better served	12
	by an accountable Taxi Commission that represents a diverse cross section of	12
	those who rely on better, safer taxi service in San Francisco. Improve taxi	12
	service: vote yes on Proposition D.	6
	<i>Board of Supervisors</i>	3
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