

1 [Rebuttal Argument]

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3 AUTHORIZING REBUTTAL TO OPPONENT'S BALLOT ARGUMENT AGAINST  
4 PROPOSITION B, A CHARTER AMENDMENT REGARDING RETIREMENT BENEFITS,  
5 SAFETY EMPLOYEES.

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7 IT IS HEREBY MOVED, That pursuant to Section 550 of the Municipal Elections  
8 Code, the Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize a rebuttal to opponent's ballot  
9 argument against Proposition B, a Charter amendment (Third Draft) amending Appendix  
10 A8-500-1, A8.559-14, and 8.585.14, relating to retirement benefits for safety employees  
11 who transferred membership under the Retirement System Sections 8.586 or 8.588 in  
12 1980; and, be it

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

15 FURTHER MOVED, That the Director of Elections be and is hereby authorized and  
16 directed to include said argument in the pamphlet accompanying the sample ballots to be  
17 mailed to the voters of the City and County of San Francisco for the election to be held on  
18 Tuesday, November 2, 1999.

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The Undersigned authors of this Ballot Argument: X *FOR* or      *AGAINST, PROPOSITION B* at the election to be held in San Francisco on November 2, 1999 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

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Style Notes <i>B, I, or BI</i>	KEEP TEXT WITHIN THESE VERTICAL LINES	# of words in each line
	The opposition against Proposition B has nothing to do with the Proposition, but	13
	is simply politically motivated by a mayoral candidate. Proposition B equalizes	11
	benefit improvements granted by the voters, not the mayor. Retirement benefits	11
	are set by Charter; they can only be changed by voters amending the Charter.	14
	Proposition B is not about "giving away" money, but rather, about equal	12
	treatment. Most firefighters and police get pension benefits which voters	10
	recently improved – like 2% at 50, cost of living adjustments, domestic partner	12
	benefits. However, when the voters improved benefits, they didn't know that	11
	about 200 firefighters and police were left out due to a technicality in 1980's	14
	Proposition F requiring separate charter amendments for transferees. About	9
	95% of firefighters and police already get much better pensions than those who	13
	transferred and saved the City approximately \$200 million. The Controller's	10
	report says those benefits will not cost the City any money until at least the year	16
	2015 and little thereafter, while the City has saved 33 times any cost associated	14
	with this Proposition. Don't be fooled by false accusations!	9

<u>Underline</u>	<p>Firefighters and police earn retirement benefits by risking their lives every workday. Fairness demands that they all earn <u>the same</u> benefits. Rookies get every benefit improvement denied to excluded veterans with twenty years of service! San Francisco's political leaders, including the Mayor, every Supervisor, Fire and Police Chiefs, support this Proposition because it's only fair. Vote Yes on Proposition B.</p> <p>Board of Supervisors</p>	<p>11 12 11 9 11 6  3</p>
	<b>Total # of Words =</b>	<p>242</p>



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## Tails Motion

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Motion authorizing a rebuttal to opponent's ballot argument against Proposition B, a charter amendment regarding retirement benefits, safety employees.

August 23, 1999 Board of Supervisors — APPROVED

Ayes: 11 - Bierman, Brown, Katz, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee, Ammiano, Becerril

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion was APPROVED on August 23, 1999 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

  
Gloria L. Young  
Clerk of the Board