

1996 (year)

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE A**

The governing body of the Arbuckle-College City Fire Protection District is the Board of Directors. Members of that board are presently appointed by the Colusa County Board of Supervisors. This measure presents the question of whether the Board of Directors should be elected, or should they continue to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors.

If a majority of the voters voting upon the question approve the changing from an appointed district board to an elected district board, then the members of the district board shall be elected on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November in each odd-numbered year.

Donald F. Stanton, County Counsel

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**FISCAL ANALYSIS  
BALLOT MEASURE A**

Currently the Board of Directors of the Arbuckle-College City Fire Protection District are appointed by the Colusa County Board of Supervisors as allowed by the State Health and Safety Code. Those appointments are made by the Board of Supervisors, complying with the Maddy Local Appointive List Act of 1975, at no cost to the District.

If this proposed ballot measure passes, it will create the potential for a District wide election of the Directors in all odd numbered years. The election, would be conducted by the Colusa County Clerk.

Based on current cost information, the cost to conduct an election for the Arbuckle-College City Fire Protection District Board of Directors is estimated at \$7,500.00 per election. The District would be responsible for these costs and would be required to reimburse the County.

County of Colusa  
Robert E. Kessinger, Jr.  
Auditor-Controller

**ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE A**

Direct election of the Arbuckle-College City Fire Protection District ("District") Board of Directors ("Board") means that the Board will be elected by the local resident voters of the District rather than as currently appointed by the County Board of Supervisors. Direct election of members of the District Board will ensure that the District Board is accountable to the residents and taxpayers of the District. Direct election of the District Board will also enhance local control of the actions of the District and will ensure that the District Board will act in the best interest of local constituents in overseeing and managing the provisions of fire prevention and suppression and emergency medical services by the District. The expense of conducting elections, which can be minimized by conducting mailed elections, is outweighed by the benefits of having a District Board directly elected by, and responsible to, the local resident voters of the District.

Brent Wiggin  
Jack Grimmer  
Robin Lohman  
David Burgess

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**NO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE A WAS FILED**

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