

# ARGUMENT / REBUTTAL FORM

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ELECTION DATE: November 2, 2004 MEASURE: B

JURISDICTION: County of Santa Clara

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS  
COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA

By SPB

Deputy

ARGUMENT IN FAVOR ☐

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST ☒

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The public must have more control over taxpayer costs. Measure B saves taxpayers money, and gives you and your elected representatives the final say over County employees' salaries, should the binding arbitration Measure C pass.

**Measure B only requires an election on salaries or working conditions when a decision by a private arbitrator will cost the taxpayers too much or disrupt employee/employer relations.**

**Measure B provides the public with protection from excesses and costly decisions which could result from binding arbitration.** The measure only impacts the few employee organizations that seek private arbitration, not most County employees who use the regular public labor relations process.

The Board of Supervisors is responsible for balancing the County budget, paying fair wages, and is accountable to the public. When the Board of Supervisors concludes that a binding arbitration decision places an unacceptable burden on taxpayers, Measure B allows the Supervisors to ask the public to vote on the increased costs.

Binding arbitration can cost the County millions, forcing cuts to public safety and other services to pay for raises for a select few highly-paid employees.

Opponents say it will cost too much to ask the voters to decide. They are misleading you – an election will only be necessary when it saves the County money.

**Measure B is your only Protection. Without Measure B, neither you nor your elected representatives can challenge huge pay increases awarded by a private panel.**

Have the final say over pay increases – **Vote YES on MEASURE B!**

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REBUTTAL ARGUMENT  
DECLARATION BY AUTHOR(S)  
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COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA  
By [Signature] Deputy

The undersigned author(s) of the rebuttal to the argument in favor of/against ballot measure B at the  
(circle one) (letter)

Special election for the County of Santa Clara  
(title of election) (name of jurisdiction)

to be held on November 2, 2004 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best  
(date of election)

of their knowledge and belief.  
(his / her / their)

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