

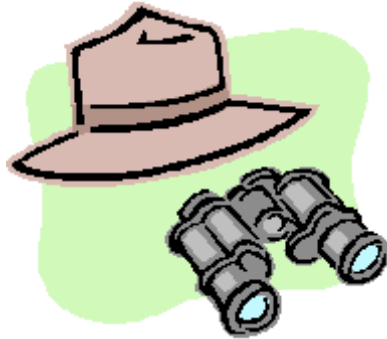
You're going to want to know about these special elections!





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Open seat special elections coming soon!

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Every [open seat](#) is a valuable opportunity. That's why we have our binoculars focused on SD 7 (Antioch, Concord, Livermore, Pleasanton and San Ramon). If current State Senator Mark DeSaulnier succeeds in his bid for Congress, a special election to fill his seat will follow next spring.

Potentially more pressing is SD 35. If State Senator Rod Wright is unsuccessful in his legal appeal, SD 35 will also be open sooner than 2016. This LA seat is ripe for a seasoned woman candidate and we're talking to prospects now. In this district we're combing Carson, Compton, Hawthorne, Inglewood and portions of LA.

If you have a nominee or information about either district, especially how the candidate fields are shaping up, we want to hear from you!

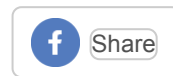
Hot Question of the Week



Who was the first female State Senator to wear pants on the floor of the chamber?

Bonus Question: What year?

Tell us **your answer on Facebook**.



In the Press

Rebecca Traister on [why many women should run for president against Hillary](#).



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