

# 2008 Voter Guide

FROM MONTANA WOMEN VOTE

## Ballot Initiatives

### Vote “YES”

#### on I-155

#### the Healthy Montana Kids Ballot Initiative

- Did you know that 37,000 children are uninsured in Montana?
- All Montana children should be able to get the health care that they need, when they need it.

#### A positive step forward:

- The Healthy Montana Kids Plan I-155 expands the successful CHIP and Medicaid health programs.
- I-155 would cover as many as 30,000 uninsured kids.

#### The 2007 MT Legislature put two other initiatives on the ballot. For more

information on these see your voter pamphlet from the elections office or visit [http://sos.mt.gov/ELB/archives/2008/Ballot\\_Issues.asp](http://sos.mt.gov/ELB/archives/2008/Ballot_Issues.asp)

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## When women vote, women win!



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## Presidential Comparison:

### ECONOMY

#### McCain

Has said short-term plan is long-term plan: make the Bush tax cuts permanent; eliminate alternative minimum tax. Recently called for steps to reduce the price of gas in summer 2008.

#### Obama

Said his plan for tax relief to middle and working classes would help stabilize the economy; repeal the Bush tax cuts for households earning more than \$250,000.

### HEALTH CARE

#### Obama

Require that all children have health insurance; pay for it by rolling back President Bush's tax cuts for households earning over \$250,000; aims for universal coverage.

#### McCain

For free-market, consumer-based system; has pledged affordable health care for every American without a mandate; says universal health care is possible without a tax increase.

### HOUSING

#### McCain

Initially opposed large-scale federal assistance, but more recently called for the government to help qualified homeowners with subprime mortgages refinance and get federally guaranteed 30-year mortgages.

#### Obama

Create new F.H.A. program to make it easier to convert subprime loans to fixed-rate, 30-year loans; create a fund to help people avoid foreclosures.

### ABORTION

#### Obama

Supports Roe v.Wade.

#### McCain

Wants to overturn Roe v.Wade, but has been supportive in the past.