

AD CAMPAIGN ALLEGES NON-CITIZEN VOTING FALLOUT: RADIO SPOTS INVITE LISTENERS TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE.

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The co-author of Proposition 187 has launched a **radio ad campaign** contending widespread **voting** by illegal immigrants tainted California's Nov. 8 election. The **ads** are partly financed by Republican Senate candidate Michael Huffington, who blames **voting** by illegal immigrants for his narrow loss to Sen. Dianne Feinstein.

"There has been **voting** by **non-citizens**," Harold Ezell, a Proposition 187 leader, said Tuesday. "We have affidavits from **non-citizens** who said they did **vote**. We have enough **evidence** to prove a total breakdown in the (**voting**) system in California."

Ezell and Huffington haven't **provided** any proof of **voting** by **non-citizens**.

"There is not a scintilla of **evidence** presented with respect to voter fraud," said acting Secretary of State Tony Miller, the state's top elections officer. "We have not found any **evidence** whatsoever that people **voted** illegally."

Miller, who lost his own election race, said his office was investigating the **allegations**.

Proposition 187, which Huffington supported, denies public schooling, health care and social services to illegal immigrants. The emotional issue was overwhelmingly passed by voters.

The **radio ads** says: "There is **evidence** the recent election of California was riddled with illegal alien **voting** and absentee voter fraud." It asks **listeners** who "know of suspicious activity" to call an 800 number.

The commercial is running in Los Angeles, San Diego, Kern, Fresno and Sacramento counties. All have large Hispanic populations. The **ads** are financed by Americans Against Illegal Immigration, a pro-Proposition 187 group that Ezell helped found.

Huffington has declined to concede defeat and has said -- most recently on "Larry King Live" -- that fraudulent **voting** cost him the election.

"There have been multiple ballots cast by the same person. There have been fictitious addresses of voters," Huffington said Monday night on King's show. Huffington spent more than \$27 million of his own money on his losing race. Huffington has not initiated a legal action. Ezell said he was awaiting the release of computer tapes from the Los Angeles registrar of voters that contain the names of people who **voted**. The tapes will help determine how many ballots were illegally cast, Ezell said.

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Registrar spokeswoman Marcia Ventura said the tapes were being compiled and were not yet available. They are expected to be released next month. The books signed by voters when they enter a precinct on election day are available for public viewing, she added.

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