The California Proposition Blues

Tune: Traditional Blues
Lyrics: Kim Alexander

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Just the other day it arrived in the mail,
     E7
My official voter guide I said, “What the hell?”
    A7     E
Let’s take a look, see what it’s all about
B7   A7   E    B7
I read and read but I still can’t figure it out.

Started with the first one, Proposition One
It’s not in the same guide as the rest of ‘em
It’s “Supplemental” – it arrived later on
That’s why it took a bit longer to write this song

So I went online for the pros and cons
Turns out Prop. 1 is a water bond
It could help address the drought in our state
Seven billion to pay for infrastructure that’s out of date

Prop. 2 is next, it’s a complicated one
Something about the state’s rainy day fund
If it passes, we’ll have to save more
And pay down the state’s debts faster than we did before

Bear with me now, this doesn’t make sense
But Prop. 45 is the one that comes next
It’s confusing, but watcha gonna do?
I’ll vote but still have the California Proposition Blues
See, the insurance commissioner wants more control
The health insurance companies, they say “No!”
As a voter, it’s up to you to choose
I understand if you’ve got the California Proposition Blues

The next one is also a health care prop
46 affects California’s docs
It changes the cap on medical suits
And tries to cut down on alleged doctor drug abuse.

47 is next and it deals with crime
Should non-violent offenders do less time?
Supporters say, vote yes because
They think we should change California sentencing laws

48’s unlike the rest of ‘em
No initiative, it’s a referendum
In support, some tribes they do rally
A yes vote allows a new casino in the Central Valley

If you want more info, you can go online
Try Calvoter.org we’re open all the time
We’ll help you decide who should win or lose
And help you avoid the California Proposition Blues!