Argument for
$30 tabs now!
Taxpayers are getting ripped off, politicians know it, refuse to fix it
Taxing a $10,000 vehicle like it’s $25,000 is fraud. I-976
repeals the dishonest valuation schedule politicians are
currently using to artificially inflate your taxes. No more price
gouging!
I-976 limits license tabs to a flat, fair, and reasonable $30
per year for your car, truck, motorcycle, motorhome, and
other vehicles. We’re paying sales taxes when we buy, gas
taxes when we use, so we shouldn’t have to pay dishonest triple
taxes just to own it. Working class folks, not just rich people,
should be able to afford a newer vehicle.
If politicians had any compassion for the average
taxpayer, I-976 wouldn’t be necessary
Washington is one of the highest taxed states in the nation.
Dishonest vehicle taxes, skyrocketing property taxes,
crushing sales taxes, massive gas taxes, obnoxious tolls,
and costly fees on everything. Despite record revenues and $3.5
billion tax surplus, Olympia imposed 11 new taxes costing
$27 billion. It’s insane. Now they’re demanding income taxes,
carbon taxes, pay-per-mile taxes. Enough!
If we can’t get tax relief when there’s a huge $3.5 billion
tax surplus...
...when can we? Besides, all the money taxpayers save will
get pumped right back into our state’s economy. Opponents’
threats, lies, and scare tactics are absurd – I-976 only affects
a tiny fraction of government spending.
Stop getting ripped off – your vote for I-976 tells
politicians you’re taxed out
Politicians will never limit taxes – here’s our only chance. Vote
“Yes.”

Rebuttal of argument against
Triple taxing vehicles is indefensible. Taxing a $10,000 vehicle
like it’s $25,000 is fraud. Taxpayers are getting ripped off – that’s the issue. Personally attacking Tim Eyman? Distraction.
(the truth; “Eyman risks $500K of his own money to fund car
tab initiative”). The threats, lies, and scare tactics about I-976
are silly; massive $3.5 billion tax surplus and record revenues
can easily backfill affected programs. I-976 forces politicians
to reexamine, prioritize. Reject dishonest taxes. Vote “Yes.”

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Argument against
Tim Eyman’s latest misguided, deceptive initiative would
irresponsibly slash state and local transportation funding by
more than $4.2 billion over the next six years, undermining
our ability to address critical safety and traffic problems. Vote
no on 976!

976 Threatens Transportation Safety
Washington has over 160 bridges and overpasses in “poor”
condition. 976 jeopardizes public safety, delaying projects to
fix dilapidated bridges, overpasses, and tunnels that do not
meet earthquake safety standards. The Washington State
Troopers Association says, “We oppose this dangerous mea-
sure because it would stop thousands of needed road safety
repair projects across the state, putting driver and pedestrian
safety at greater risk.”

976 Will Harm Your Local Community
This measure eliminates important local transportation
funding in 62 cities throughout Washington. As a result, cities
from Seattle to Spokane, from Anacortes to Zillah, would lose
nearly $60 million a year in funding needed for bus service, to
repair potholes, upgrade safety, provide transit to seniors and
people with disabilities, and reduce congestion.

976 Will Devastate Public Transit
Public transit connects people to jobs, education, health
care, and each other. Many in our communities rely on
public transportation as their primary way to get around.
This measure would gut voter-approved light rail expansion
and eliminate hundreds of thousands of bus trips each year
for commuters, people with disabilities, teenage and elderly
riders.

Public safety and transportation experts, business, labor
and environmental groups all oppose Eyman’s latest flawed
and deceptive money-making scheme. Vote no on 976!

Rebuttal of argument for
Eyman’s 976 might sound good, but in reality it slashes transit
and transportation funding by billions, harming our ability
to maintain and improve our roads, bridges, ferries, buses
and light rail. And 976 isn’t fair. It will give huge tax breaks
to owners of brand-new luxury cars, and almost nothing to
someone who drives a 10-year-old Corolla – while leaving all
of us stuck in traffic. Vote no on 976!

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