

Argument for

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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*, 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."

Written by

Bob Henkel, collected 8103 signatures from Pierce County voters, Puyallup; **Suzie Burke**, collected 2440 signatures from King County voters, Seattle; **Sid Maitto**, 4929 signatures from Snohomish County/North King voters; **Connie Christiansen**, 1588 signatures from Pierce County/South King voters; **Erma Turner**, 1014 signatures collected from voters; **Tim Eyman**, collected 8910 signatures from voters across the state.

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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 measure 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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