

Monday, September 26th, 2011

To: Our thousands of supporters throughout the state (cc'd to the media, house & senate members, and Governor)

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RE: Olympia put a massive loophole in last year's I-1053 -- I-1125 closes it

Four times the voters have approved initiatives requiring 2/3 legislative approval for tax increases and majority legislative approval for fee increases. Four times. Last year's I-1053 was approved with 64% voter support. Normally, we get two years of compliance with our initiatives before the Legislature starts putting loopholes into them. But with I-1053, Olympia wasted no time. Remember what Gregoire said before the session started: *"I'm not gonna let 1053 stand in the way of me moving forward for what I think is right."*

Voters have been abundantly clear: taking more of their money must be an absolute last resort. And that's what I-1053 does on taxes and fees - and that's what I-1125 does on tolls.

I-1053 requires that it be elected representatives, and not unelected bureaucrats, that set fees. During this last session, Olympia sidestepped I-1053 by delegating away the authority to set tolls to unelected bureaucrats on Gregoire's Transportation Commission CONTRARY TO I-1053'S EXPLICIT MANDATE. This is a massive loophole -- state and local governments have plans for tolling EVERY ROAD, BRIDGE, AND HIGHWAY. We're talking about thousands of dollars per year being taken from family budgets.

Our new initiative -- I-1125 -- closes that massive loophole and says (again) that any proposed toll must be discussed, debated, and passed using the legislative process to ensure accountability and transparency. It shouldn't take 4 ballot box votes of the people to convince Olympia to do what the people want. But here we are with I-1125 telling them for the 5th time.

Voters really meant it when they gave I-1053 a 64% "yes" vote. They don't want it to be easy for the government to take more of the people's money -- they want it to be tougher. And that's what I-1053 requires and I-1125 reinforces.

And I-1125 is critical for another reason: if Olympia gets away with putting one loophole in I-1053, then it'll be easier for them to put two or three or four loopholes in it. Unless there's an overwhelming 'push back' against their first violation of I-1053, they'll believe the voters don't care and they'll gut our protections even more. And that would be a tragedy.

Powerful special interest groups and arrogant politicians in Olympia are counting on voters to give up. We can't let that happen.

This year's I-1125 closes a massive loophole Olympia put in last year's I-1053 and reinforces existing statutory and constitutional protections. Regular citizens have to follow the law and abide by the Constitution -- government should too.

If you like and appreciate our past, current, and future efforts on behalf of taxpayers, please send us a donation for \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$2500, \$5000 or more (there are no limits on how much can be given). Please consider a monthly pledge from now through December for our fund. We ask you to please help us help taxpayers. You can go to our website -- <http://www.VotersWantMoreChoices.com> -- *sometimes this web link doesn't work so please cut and paste it if you have to, sorry for the extra step* -- and make a secure PayPal or VISA or MasterCard contribution -- OR, you can print out the form below, fill it out, and return it with a check or credit card information. Your voluntary contribution to our compensation fund will be divided between the three of us and compensate us for our political work.

Thank you again for your continued support for our efforts on behalf of taxpayers.

As for our compensation fund, we would be extremely grateful for any financial assistance you can offer. Thanks.

Best Regards, Tim Eyman, Jack Fagan, & Mike Fagan, Fighting for Taxpayers for 15 Years, ph: 425-493-9127, email: [tim\\_eyman@comcast.net](mailto:tim_eyman@comcast.net), <http://www.VotersWantMoreChoices.com> (go to our website to do a secure donation by VISA/Mastercard/PayPal or print out the form below, fill it out, and return it with a check or money order or credit card information) -- *sometimes this web link doesn't work so please cut and paste it if you*

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