

The 2/3-For-Taxes Constitutional Amendment Initiative

Dear Fellow Taxpayer:

Why have we been successful over the past 16 years? Because we are persistent, we are relentless. We never, ever, ever give up. We do it 'til it gets done.

We're thrilled with our kick-off for our 2015 initiative: **The 2/3-For-Taxes Constitutional Amendment Initiative**. It's time to provide permanent protection from Olympia's insatiable tax appetite. Best of all, once we get our 2/3-for-taxes constitutional amendment passed, politicians can't change it. Pass it once and it lasts forever.

The voters have consistently supported requiring 2/3 legislative approval or voter approval for tax hikes, and majority legislative approval for fee increases (mandates the Legislature vote on individual fee increases – prohibits state agencies from increasing fees on their own). 5 times the voters have approved 2/3 initiatives – 3 of them sponsored by us (I-960 in 2007, I-1053 in 2010, and I-1185 in 2012). The last one, in 2012, got more votes than any initiative in state history. It got more votes than Inslee got. It got more votes than Obama got. It passed in every county. Almost 2/3 of voters support the 2/3!

Adding a 2/3-for-taxes amendment to our state Constitution keeps Governor Inslee and the tax-hiking Democrats on a short leash. It reinforces Republican legislators who sometimes go wobbly. But more importantly, it means 10/20/50/100 years from now, the taxpayers of Washington will be protected from Olympia's propensity to raise taxes. It will ensure that taking more of the people's money will always be an absolute last resort.

17 other states have in their state Constitutions a supermajority vote requirement for tax increases – let's make Washington state #18.

We're thrilled with our newest 2/3 initiative because we know it'll pass (almost 2/3 of voters support the 2/3). The challenge is getting our initiative on the ballot.

Last year's initiative signature drive fell short. Why? Because we didn't work hard enough (that means all of us, including Jack, Mike, and me). And because we didn't raise enough funds: successful signature drives are expensive.

With Inslee shattering his veto-taxes promises, with Democrats jumping on his tax-hiking bandwagon, and with Republicans having only the slimmest of majorities in only one chamber of the Legislature, the taxpayers of Washington are feeling extremely vulnerable to Olympia's insatiable tax appetite.

The 2/3-For-Taxes Constitutional Amendment Initiative is the best way for taxpayers to protect themselves now and in the future.

What do we need most? Your financial support. We need a big war-chest to pay for printing petitions, mailing those petitions to supporters and potential supporters, and contracting with a paid signature gathering company (which we did on Feb 2nd).

When it comes to getting more petitions for Initiative 1366, you can certainly contact us and ask for more, BUT WE STRONGLY URGE YOU TO MAKE COPIES OF THE ENCLOSED PETITION. Over the next 5 months (deadline July 2), we must collect 320,000 voter signatures. That's over 2000 sigs PER DAY!

Having our supporters out there asking friends, neighbors, and co-workers to sign petitions is essential. BUT IT IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING THIS EFFORT so we can hire professionals to help collect the necessary signatures.

We need your help. Please send us a donation for \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1000, \$2500, \$5000 or more (there are no limits on how much can be given). **Please consider a monthly pledge.** You can fill out the form below, and return it with your check or credit card information – OR, you can make a secure PayPal or VISA or MasterCard donation here – www.VotersWantMoreChoices.com. Either way, please send in your most generous contribution TODAY.

We ask for your help – both financial support and signature collection – to ensure the success of this critically important initiative. Thank you.

Best Regards, Tim Eyman, Jack Fagan, & Mike Fagan, co-sponsors of Initiative 1366

P.S. For years, we've made it look easy, but signature drives are brutally difficult. But what makes us optimistic this year is this particular initiative. It is, by far, the most exciting, impactful, needed initiative we've ever done. **And it'll protect us forever. Please help us make it a reality.**

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