



Amendment 60 – How will it affect your community?

Amendment 60 will overturn two decades of property tax decisions approved by voters in local elections and will force local districts to cut their property taxes in half – cutting the funding for their own schools.

Amendment 60 will restrict local voters' support for their own community and their ability to control their own budget.

- ✓ Nearly every school district in Colorado has voted to approve their own property taxes
- ✓ 76% of voters have approved the property tax rates they currently pay

Amendment 60 will force all school districts to lose 50% of their property tax revenue

- The state will be required to replace the lost revenue for schools
- This will reduce funding available for all other services the state provides such as health care, human services, higher education, and public safety

Amendment 60 will create a new tax on certain service providers: water districts, utilities, and colleges.

- In order to pay for this new tax, these public service will have to dramatically increase their fees for service – your water bill, electricity bill and college tuition will go up!

Amendment 60 will cut over \$1 billion of local funding for public schools and will override the will of local voters. It will reduce property taxes, but it will do so at the expense of public schools and other essential services provided by our state and local governments that protect our communities.

Some say that schools will not be harmed by Amendment 60 because the state is required to pay for the loss of revenue. The truth is the state simply does not have the funds to replace this loss of dollars.

If the state truly had to pay for the lost dollars to schools they would have to cut all other services by 60%!

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