



Proposition 30 Fact Sheet

The Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2012

WHAT IS THIS ACT? It is a ballot initiative (**Proposition 30**) that asks everyone in California to pay their fair share to fund public education and public services. It has **two parts**. First, those earning over \$250,000 will pay a higher income tax on money earned above the \$250,000 level. Second, it calls for a temporary 1/4 cent state sales tax increase.

WHERE WILL THE MONEY GO? The money raised by **Proposition 30** will go to public education and public safety. If passed, the proposition will make up for cuts to these essential services of \$20 billion over the last 3 years. Nearly 6 of every 7 dollars raised by **Proposition 30** will come from the state's richest residents, who have had their taxes reduced in the recent past. Many Californians believe that the state's wealthy no longer pay their fair share.

THE SPECIFICS

- ◆ It avoids a trigger cut of nearly \$1 billion to higher education, including \$250 million from the University of California, \$250 million from the California State University, \$338 million from the state's community colleges, and \$125 million to avoid yet more UC student fee increases.
- ◆ Progressive income tax increases for the wealthy lasting 7 years.
 - ✎ Those earning **over \$250,000** will pay an **additional 1%**.
 - ✎ Those earning **over \$300,000** will pay an **additional 2%**.
 - ✎ Those earning **over \$500,000** will pay an **additional 3%**.
- ◆ The state sales tax increases by 1/4% for 4 years (that's an increase of 25 cents on a \$100 purchase).
- ◆ Generates approximately \$7 billion per fiscal year (more than 80% from the tax on the wealthy).

WHY DO WE NEED TO PASS THIS PROPOSITION?

- ◆ It helps California's universities by avoiding another round of painful student fee increases.
- ◆ It reverses some cuts to essential public safety services enacted in recent state budgets.
- ◆ It allows more access to education and other services for California's poorest residents.
- ◆ It guarantees that new revenues will go to education through existing Prop. 98 mechanisms.
- ◆ It requires that education funds be subject to public audits, which will ensure transparency.



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