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#### **VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 74**

The many unintended consequences that would result could cost taxpayers billions of dollars in the first few years.



#### **VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION 110**

Colorado's transportation needs have been underserved for decades. This could help address CDOT's \$9 billion deficit and local needs.



#### **VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 112**

Colorado's economic vitality is at risk—77% of jobs lost would in fact be outside of the oil and gas industry..

Read more details on these Ballot Measures inside!

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### **BALLOT MEASURES**

# AMENDMENTS Y AND Z – CONGRESSIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING WHAT ARE AMENDMENTS Y & Z?

- Allows the drawing of congressional and legislative district maps to include independents on the commissions with new rules for fair and competitive districts
- Commissions are composed of four Republicans, four Democrats, and four Unaffiliateds
- Provides clear criteria for map drawing and prohibits gerrymandering and incumbent protection
- Maximizes competitive districts and allows for candidates running for office to appeal to a broader array of diverse voters
- Allows for open meetings and ethical standards



### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE YES ON AMENDMENTS Y AND Z?

**CAR supports Amendments Y and Z.** The current map drawing system for state and congressional

districts need reform. Colorado could receive an eighth congressional seat after the Census due to increased population growth. Competitive districts enable policy makers to engage different opposing points of view resulting in better public policy for everyone. CAR supports a fair system that allows all Colorado voters to be equally heard in their elections.

### AMENDMENT 73 – FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS WHAT IS AMENDMENT 73?

- Raises \$1.6 billion in taxes in three ways:
- 1. Creates a progressive income tax system, impacting individuals and families jointly earning \$150,000 per year
- 2. Increases the corporate tax rate from 4.63% to 6%, negatively impacting the state's competitive advantage
- 3. Increases residential property taxes



### WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 73?

**CAR opposes Amendment 73.** CAR strongly believes education should be a top priority for the

state—we too want more funding to support the success of our schools, students and teachers. However, Amendment 73 is not the right approach. 97% of Colorado businesses are classified as small businesses. CAR, alone, represents over 26,000 REALTORS® from across the state, identified as small business owners who would be subject to this burdensome taxation. The cost of housing in Colorado make its very difficult for residents to pursue the American dream of homeownership. Amendment 73 would significantly burden Colorado consumers' cost of living and harm Colorado's economy.

# AMENDMENT 74 – JUST COMPENSATION FOR REDUCTION IN FAIR MARKET VALUE BY GOVERNMENT LAW OR REGULATION (THE "TAKINGS" INITIATIVE) WHAT IS AMENDMENT 74?

- Adds 11 words to the Colorado Constitution that would allow a jury versus a judge to decide whether your property right has been damaged
- Municipal governments would be on the hook to pay any fees along with damage associated with litigation
- This measure was filed in response to the proposed setback requirements for new oil and gas development, including fracking, in the state of Colorado (see Proposition 112)



### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 74?

**CAR opposes Amendment 74**. Amendment 74 is filled with many unintended consequences

harmful to taxpayers and detrimental to the well-being of Colorado's economy. It would expose state and city governments to prolonged and expensive lawsuits. This could cause municipal governments to cut spending and/or increase taxation or fees on Colorado's taxpayers. Similar measures have been attempted in other states across the country and have ultimately cost taxpayers billions of dollars within the first few years.



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# PROPOSITION 110 – AUTHORIZE SALES TAX AND BONDS FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (LET'S GO COLORADO)

#### WHAT IS PROPOSITION 110?

- Creates a 0.62 temporary sales tax for 20 years
- Allocates 45% of funds to state transportation needs, 40% to local governments (city and county) and 15% to multi-modal projects
- Permits the state to borrow \$5 billion to address current and future transportation infrastructure needs
- Creates accountability—citizen oversight commission will be formed to ensure dollars go to identified state and local project list



### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION 110?

**CAR supports Proposition 110**. Colorado's transportation needs have been underserved

for decades. Although effort has been made to allocate dollars from the General Fund, it isn't enough to address the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) \$9 billion deficit. Revenue from Colorado's gas tax continues to diminish as electric vehicles become more popular. The state's current revenue stream does not allow us to keep up with today's infrastructure needs or technological advancements. Proposition 110 provides a new, sustainable revenue stream to meet the state's growing infrastructure needs. It allows local communities to address their pressing needs and ensures all transportation users, including tourists, contribute.

## PROPOSITION 112 – SETBACK REQUIREMENT FOR OIL AND GAS

#### **WHAT IS PROPOSITION 112?**

- Increases the distance between oil and gas development and occupied facilities and "vulnerable areas" from current statute of 500 feet to 2,500 feet
- "Vulnerable area" is defined as playgrounds, homes, schools, hospitals, sports fields, drinking water sources, irrigation canals, reservoirs, lakes, rivers, streams and any vulnerable area designated by the government
- Would result in a loss of \$7-9 billion in state and local tax revenue



### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 112?

**CAR opposes Proposition 112.** Responsible oil and gas development plays an important role in

Colorado's energy economy. The REMI Common Sense Policy Roundtable study found that over 82% of all oil and gas revenue goes directly to the local communities where the production activity occurs. This funding supports schools, housing and other critically important local programs. Proposition 112 could have a devastating effect on Colorado's economy, with the potential to eliminate between 62% and 80% of annual new oil and gas development in the state and diminish job opportunities for Coloradans. 77% of all jobs lost would in fact be outside of the oil and gas industry (the oil and gas industry provides nearly 50,000 jobs). As the voice of Real Estate, we represent all property rights, including both surface and mineral rights. And Proposition 112 would detrimentally impact mineral rights owners.

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#### STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES

The Colorado Association of REALTORS® Political Action Committee (CARPAC), based in part on recommendations by a team of REALTORS® who interviewed candidates for these races, endorsed the following candidates:

#### **SENATE**

SD 2 – Dennis Hisey	SD 9 – Paul Lundeen*	SD 16 – Tim Neville*	SD 32 – Robert Rodriguez
SD 3 – Leroy Garcia*	SD 11 – Pete Lee*	SD 22 – Brittany Pettersen	
SD 6 – Don Coram*	SD 13 – John Cooke*	SD 24 – Beth Martinez-Humenik*	
SD 7 – Ray Scott*	SD 15 - Rob Woodward	SD 30 – Chris Holbert**	

#### HOUSE

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HD 1 – Susan Lontine*	HD 19 – Tim Geitner	HD 35 – Shannon Byrd	HD 53 – Jeni Arndt*
HD 2 – Alec Garnett**	HD 20 – Terri Carver**	HD 36 – Mike Weissman**	HD 54 – Matt Soper
HD 3 – Jeff Bridges*	HD 21 – Lois Landgraf	HD 37 - Cole Wist*	HD 55 – Janice Rich
HD 4 – Serena Gonzales-	HD 22 – Colin Larson	HD 38 – Susan Beckman*	HD 56 – Rod Bockenfeld
Gutierrez	HD 24 – Monica Duran	HD 40 – Janet Buckner*	HD 57 – Bob Rankin*
HD 5 – Alex Valdez	HD 25 – Steven Szutenbach	HD 41 - Lynn Myers	HD 58 – Marc Catlin*
HD 7 – James Coleman*	HD 26 – Dylan Roberts	HD 43 – Kevin Van Winkle**	HD 59 – Barbara McLachlan*
HD 11 – Jonathan Singer*	HD 27 – Vicki Pyne	HD 45 - Patrick Neville	HD 60 – James Wilson*
HD 13 – KC Becker*	HD 28 – Kerry Tipper	HD 47 – Brianna Buentello	HD 61 – Julie McCluskie
HD 14 – Shane Sandridge	HD 29 – Tracy Kraft-Tharp**	HD 49 – Perry Buck*	HD 62 – Donald Valdez*
HD 15 – Dave Williams*	HD 31 – Rico Figueroa	HD 50 – Michael Thuener	HD 65 - Rod Pelton
HD 16 – Larry Liston*	HD 33 – Matt Gray**	HD 51 – Hugh McKean*	
HD 18 – Marc Snyder	HD 34 – Kyle Mullica	HD 52 - Joann Ginal*	

<sup>\*</sup>Friendly Incumbents

#### **STATEWIDE CANDIDATES**

Governor – Walker Stapleton Attorney General – George Brauchler Secretary of State – Wayne Williams Treasurer – Brian Watson

#### **CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES**

The national REALTOR® Political Action Committee (RPAC), based on recommendations from the Colorado Association of REALTORS® Political Action Committee (CARPAC) has endorsed the following congressional candidates:

CD 1 – Diana DeGette CD 5 – Doug Lamborn
CD 3 – Scott Tipton CD 6 – Mike Coffman
CD 4 – Ken Buck CD 7 – Ed Perlmutter



<sup>\*\*</sup>Legislators of the Year