

DEFEATED STATUTORY INITIATIVE PETITION**[Proposed by Initiative Petition]**

Official Ballot Title:

Proposition A

Shall Missouri law be amended to:

- ! increase taxes on cigarettes in 2017, 2019, and 2021, at which point this additional tax will total 23 cents per pack of 20;
- ! increase the tax paid by sellers on other tobacco products by 5 percent of manufacturer's invoice price;
- ! use funds generated by these taxes exclusively to fund transportation infrastructure projects; and
- ! repeal these taxes if a measure to increase any tax or fee on cigarettes or other tobacco products is certified to appear on any local or statewide ballot?

State government revenue will increase by approximately \$95 million to \$103 million annually when cigarette and tobacco tax increases are fully implemented, with the new revenue earmarked for transportation infrastructure. Local government revenues could decrease approximately \$3 million annually due to decreased cigarette and tobacco sales.

Fair Ballot Language:

A “**yes**” vote will amend Missouri law to increase taxes on cigarettes in 2017, 2019, and 2021, at which point this additional tax will total 23 cents per pack of 20. This amendment also increases the tax paid by sellers on other tobacco products by 5 percent of manufacturer's invoice price. This amendment further provides that the funds generated by these taxes shall be used exclusively to fund transportation infrastructure projects. These taxes are repealed if a measure to increase any tax or fee on cigarettes or other tobacco products is certified to appear on any local or statewide ballot.

A “**no**” vote will not amend Missouri law relating to taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products.

If passed, this measure will increase taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products.

FOR — 1,223,251; AGAINST — 1,506,644

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