Government’s appetite for higher taxes and still higher spending never ends.

Consider all the taxes we pay, most of them at record highs:

- Property Taxes (plus special assessments)
- School Bond Taxes (districts, county)
- Sales Taxes (county and state)
- Income Taxes (state and federal)
- Vehicle License fees & taxes
- Gas taxes (state and federal)
- Telecommunications taxes
- additional excise taxes on alcohol, tobacco, gasoline, tires, etc.

If high taxes encouraged balanced budgets and responsible spending, California would be the best-run state in the nation! But the opposite is true—

Record revenue engendered bloated payrolls and unsustainable benefits schemes; outstripping our ability to pay for them. No amount of revenue can prevent politicians from spending more money than they take in.

The state government’s school districts are out-of-control: consuming almost half of the state budget, and borrowing recklessly, to spend even more. And, on top of all that, they have the gall to ask for higher parcel taxes too?

We couldn’t stop Sacramento from raising sales and income taxes last year, —but we can finally put an end to one long-standing “temporary” parcel tax. Now is our opportunity.

Please vote ‘NO’. This superfluous surtax is just plain greedy.

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