

REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST
PROPOSITION 41

When state government programs don't deliver, it hurts the people who rely on those services and the taxpayers who fund them.

Prop 41 requires the independent State Auditor to conduct performance and financial audits of the programs to be funded by new taxes – to help make programs more effective and efficient.

Ask yourself: why would a single, solitary Sacramento special interest oppose transparency and accountability?

YES ON 41: TAXPAYERS DESERVE BETTER RESULTS

Some facts:

- Our state budget is a record high \$352 billion this year.
- State spending is up 79% since 2019.
- We've spent billions on programs like homelessness – with too little to show for it.

With some of the highest taxes in the nation and a rising cost of living, we can't afford to fund failure. Every dollar wasted is one that could go to help someone.

Prop 41 requires transparency and trackable progress of programs, to help improve education, health care and other public services Californians rely on.

PROP 41: PUBLIC AUDITS TO IMPROVE ACCOUNTABILITY

"Independent performance audits give voters objective, credible information about public resources, strengthening accountability and public trust." Denise LeDuc Froemming, President, California Society of Certified Public Accountants

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Under Prop 41, the independent State Auditor publicly reviews the programs that new taxes would fund, exposes any waste or mismanagement, and recommends program improvements. The audit findings are published in the Voter Information Guide before you vote – with ongoing audits if a tax is approved.

VOTERS DESERVE MORE TRANSPARENCY – even if special interests don't like it.

Vote Yes on Prop 41. More transparency, more accountability, better results for our tax dollars.

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