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ARGUMENT CON

CON: No on Prop. 14. Would commit $7.3 billion we cannot afford during this economic and budget crisis. Funds a state agency with management challenges and poor results after $3 billion already spent. Servicing debt of Prop. 14 could increase pressure for higher taxes or layoffs of nurses, first responders and other public employees.

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HUGE COSTS

As you can see from reading the ballot argument above, proponents are attempting to minimize the cost of this initiative.

The total cost is actually $7.3 billion – a huge sum during this moment of economic crisis, with soaring unemployment and budget shortfalls.

FAILED PROMISES

Proponents are making empty promises about revenues and jobs.

The San Francisco Chronicle examined similar promises made to California voters years ago – and concluded the “predicted windfall has not materialized.”

Independent experts and news outlets have questioned the management and transparency record of the state bureaucracy that would spend the billions authorized by Prop. 14.

The Chronicle also found: “Not a single federally approved therapy has resulted” from the $3 billion this state bureaucracy has spent to date.

NOT THE ANSWER

Medical research is important. We all agree there is a need to find cures and treatments for diseases afflicting so many.

But Prop. 14 is not the answer.

The federal government and private investors are spending billions to find cures.

The State of California taxpayer has done enough.

Vote NO on Prop. 14.

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