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**SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THURSTON COUNTY**

In re Challenge to Ballot Titles for Initiative
Measure Nos. 1442 and 1443

Nos. 16-2-00555-34

16-2-00556-34

FINAL ORDER

*** Clerk's Action Required**

The court considered the petitions, briefs, and all materials filed for the ballot title challenge regarding Initiatives 1442 and 1443. The challenge to initiatives no. 1444 through 1448 have been withdrawn because those initiatives were withdrawn by the sponsor. The court heard oral argument on February 17, 2016. The court finds that the ballot title formulated by the Attorney General's Office shall not be changed in order to fulfill the requirements of chapter 29A.72 RCW.

The following language shall be the ballot title and ballot measure summary for I-1442 and I-1443:

BALLOT TITLE FOR 1442

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Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1442 concerns state taxes and fees. [4 words.]

Concise Description: This measure would limit tax increases to one year unless approved by majority popular vote; terminate 2016 tax increases imposed without voter approval; and require legislative approval, as defined, for fee increases. [29 words]

Should this measure be enacted into law? Yes [] No []

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would require that legislation raising taxes must expire one year after taking effect unless the tax increase is approved by a majority of the voters. A tax increase imposed in 2016 would expire when the measure takes effect unless it was approved by voters. With

1 certain exceptions, the measure would require legislative approval for new fees or for an
2 increase in an existing fee, and define how the legislature must provide that approval. [75
3 words]

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5 **BALLOT TITLE FOR 1443**

6 **BALLOT TITLE**

7 Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1443 concerns state taxes and fees. [4 words.]

8 Concise Description: This measure would limit tax increases to one year unless approved by two-
9 thirds legislative vote or majority popular vote; terminate certain 2016 tax increases; and require
10 legislative approval, as defined, for fee increases. [30 words]

11 Should this measure be enacted into law? Yes [] No []

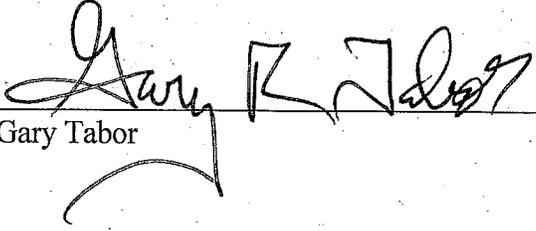
12 **BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY**

13 This measure would limit tax increases to one year unless approved by a majority popular
14 vote or by two-thirds of the legislature; terminate 2016 tax increases enacted without voter
15 approval or two-thirds legislative vote; require new fees or fee increases to be expressly
16 stated in legislation; require legislative approval, as defined, of new fees or fee increases;
17 and exclude certain actions, such as delegation of fee-setting authority to agencies, from the
18 definition of "legislative approval." [75 words]

19 IT IS SO ORDERED.

20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court Clerk shall promptly file a certified copy of this
21 order with the Secretary of State. (RCW 29A.72.080.)

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24 Done this 17 day of Feb, 2016.

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27 Judge Gary Tabor
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STATE OF WASHINGTON

County of Thurston

I, Linda Myhre Enlow, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of Washington, for Thurston County holding session at Olympia, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears on file and of record in my office containing 148 pages.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said court

DATED: 2-17-2016

Linda Myhre Enlow, Thurston County Clerk
State of Washington

by [Signature] Deputy Clerk