WE DON’T WANT CARBON TAXES

AN ACT Relating to prohibiting state and local governments from increasing fuel costs through a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard; adding a section to chapter 43.135 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.16 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 36.32 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35.22 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35.23 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35.17 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.12 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35A.13 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 35.18 RCW; and creating new sections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

INTENT

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The people strongly oppose the constant effort by politicians to impose additional costs on already struggling taxpayers. Voters have repeatedly rejected carbon taxes. This measure would prohibit the state and any local government from increasing fuel costs through a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme (sometimes referred to as cap-and-trade), or low carbon fuel standard. No means no.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The state and any local government shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 43.135 RCW to read as follows:

The state and any local governments shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Any local government shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.
NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 36.16 RCW to read as follows:
Any county shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. A new section is added to chapter 36.32 RCW to read as follows:
Any county shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 7. A new section is added to chapter 35.22 RCW to read as follows:
Any city shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 8. A new section is added to chapter 35.23 RCW to read as follows:
Any city shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 9. A new section is added to chapter 35.17 RCW to read as follows:
Any city shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 10. A new section is added to chapter 35A.12 RCW to read as follows:
Any city shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 11. A new section is added to chapter 35A.13 RCW to read as follows:
Any city shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 12. A new section is added to chapter 35.18 RCW to read as follows:
Any city shall not impose a carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard. The department of revenue may not collect revenue from any such prohibited carbon tax, cap-and-tax scheme, or low carbon fuel standard.
NEW SECTION. Sec. 13. The provisions of this act are to be liberally construed to effectuate the policies, purposes, and intent of this act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 14. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 15. This act is known and may be cited as “We Don’t Want Carbon Taxes.”

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