



Tim Eyman's
Initiative 1033

A
PROVEN
FAILURE

Arbitrary government revenue limits like those in Initiative 1033 have been proposed
— and rejected — in 28 states. Only Colorado has imposed them.

The damage was so severe that voters suspended it.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR UNION

Let's not repeat Colorado's mistake

Tim Eyman's Initiative 1033 would cap revenue for Washington's local and state governments. Colorado is the only other state that's tried this, and the consequences to its state economy were severe. The state dropped to 49th in the nation in education funding and the percentage of low-income children with no health insurance doubled. So in 2005, the people of Colorado voted to suspend the law.



What I-1033 Does

Kills jobs and prolongs recession

I-1033 would prolong the recession into 2010 and beyond, just when the economy is starting to improve. I-1033 would lock in layoffs for teachers, fire fighters, nurses, police, road workers and other public employees. It also locks in the "ripple effect" job cuts in Washington's private sector.

Jeopardizes our families' safety

I-1033 would block local police and fire departments from restoring normal staffing levels. Fewer emergency personnel means longer response times in life-and-death situations. The recession's prison cutbacks and elimination of parole supervision would become permanent under I-1033.

Takes away local control

I-1033's rigid one-size-fits-all formula would impose the same limits on every city and county in Washington, despite their different needs and priorities. An independent study shows that over the next five years I-1033 cuts \$2.8 billion that cities and counties use to keep our neighborhoods healthy, clean and safe.

Harms schools, roads, health care, transit...

Due to recession, thousands of families in Washington lost health coverage, teachers and other school employees were laid off, hospitals and nursing homes cut services, and public transit has suffered. I-1033 makes it illegal for local elected officials to restore these services after the economy recovers.

Your Union urges you to...

VOTE NO on INITIATIVE 1033

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