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Voters Have No Appetite For New and Higher Taxes

New [PPIC poll](#) finds raising taxes isn't a priority for voters

(SACRAMENTO)—Teresa Casazza, president of the California Taxpayers Association and a member of Californians Against Higher Taxes, issued the following statement regarding the new PPIC poll indicating that only 37 percent of voters think extending taxes is very important:

“The PPIC’s findings are not surprising. As Californians see the state is on stronger financial footing, they see no need to increase taxes. Last year’s budget included increased spending for every state program, set aside more than \$2 billion in the Rainy Day fund, paid down long-term debt and still enjoyed a surplus. And, according to a recent report by the LAO, more surpluses are in store, based on revenue projections.

“Voters are clearly saying ‘now is not the time for new or higher taxes.’ Legislators and special interests who have proposed more than \$140 billion in new and higher taxes and fees this year alone need to listen to the voters and focus on stabilizing our budget for the future. It’s not the time to go on a spending spree that will only drive us back into the volatile boom-bust budget cycles of the past.”

To read the full report: [click here](#)