

STOP THE GAS TAX

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Gas Tax Repeal Campaign Not Surprised By Flawed, Deceptive Title and Summary

Just moments ago, the California Attorney General released the official Title and Summary for the statewide Gas Tax repeal ballot initiative – and the Repeal campaign was not surprised by the result.

The title of the initiative – as defined by the Attorney General – is "Eliminates recently enacted road repair and transportation funding by repealing revenues dedicated for those purposes" despite zero guarantee that the money collected will actually go to fund transportation and road repairs.

"Politicians think that a deceptive title and summary will fool voters," said Carl DeMaio, who is leading the statewide Repeal initiative. "We've got news for the Sacramento politicians: Californians are smarter than that!" DeMaio continued.

To ensure that Californians are educated on the initiative which will be on the November 2018 ballot, the Repeal campaign is stepping up their education efforts to ensure that the truth gets out.

"We are mounting a massive statewide education campaign to ensure Californians are aware that the Gas Tax feeds the state's bloated budget instead of actually fixing our roads," DeMaio said. "I know Californians – and they won't be fooled," he concluded.

Despite the flawed title and summary, the campaign is commencing signature collection immediately – however the campaign reserves the right to litigate the title and summary that will be placed on the actual ballot for the November 2018 election.

Facts about this massive hike:

- On November 1, 2017, Californians became subject to an additional tax of 12.5 cents more per gallon (20 cents more for diesel) at the pump.
- Estimates suggest it will cost each car owner \$500 or more per car, per year
- The tax also hits business owners who rely on transporting goods, raising the cost of everything from apples to Zinfandel
- Auto registration fees will increase as much as \$175 a year - striking the wallets of hard-working families across the state
- The tax revenue goes into the state's General Fund, meaning there's zero guarantee the money will be used to actually fund the transportation "fixes" they claim will happen
- More than 45 events will be held across the state over the next 30 days to continue to grow the public awareness of the effort

More information on Carl DeMaio and Reform California's efforts to Stop the Gas Tax:

<http://www.reformcalifornia.org/news.html>

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