

Dear Pend Oreille Area Citizens,

The Washington State House Democrats unveiled their budget proposal Monday, March 25, in Olympia. We knew it would be bad, but we didn't know it would be *this* bad.

A Capital Gains Income Tax, an increase in the Real-Estate Excise Tax – Those are just a few of the ways Washington House Democrats plant to fund their **reckless mismanaged budget total in \$52.6 BILLION in taxpayer money.**

Without any new taxes, the State is projected to take in nearly 4.5 BILLION in new revenue for a total of nearly \$50.6 BILLION for the 2019-2020 budget, but Democrats still want more! Governor Inslee has proposed gas tax increases, even creating a State Bank using our emergency funds, dipping into the State Employees Pension Fund and worse, running for President on our tax dollars!

Democrats are raising taxes solely for the sake of raising taxes and satisfying their liberal base. **Their far-left Seattle-ideology is literally taking money from your savings** and putting Washington's financial future in jeopardy.

The Legislature has a budget surplus and is in its best starting position in decades. Republicans have shown they can easily write a budget that funds all of our state priorities without raising any new taxes – and have even called for tax cuts! We can fix Governor Inslee's broken mental health system, address rampant homelessness, combat the opioid epidemic and fund our K-12 education all with existing revenues.

Your POCR is working hard to stop this madness and we need your help. **You are invited to attend the Pend Oreille County Republicans' Lincoln Day Dinner and Fund-Raising Auction.** Our guest speaker, is Duane Davidson, Washington State Treasurer. He will expose the true cost of these business and life wrecking proposals for our state. Please join us Friday evening May 3rd, starting at 6 pm, at the Kalispel Tribe Camas Center, 1821 N Le Clerk Rd., in Usk.

Sincerely,

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