

Argument Against the Measure on Taxation of Commercial Cannabis Businesses

Do not be deceived by this so-called "Tax Measure." The City Council will use your "Yes" vote on this measure as an excuse for them to legalize cannabis growing, manufacture, warehousing, distribution and retail sales all over the city, and they can do that without your further vote.

The promised tax is "up to" 6% and 1%. That means they can set the tax lower, even at zero. So, the promised windfall might turn out to also be zero. Plus, even the promised money would barely pay for one more police officer, and we'll need many more than that if this passes!

Measure A on the June election was earmarked for police and homeless programs. This measure puts the money in the general fund, to be wasted however the Council wants.

You cannot look at the tax revenue without considering what legal cannabis will do:

Legal cannabis will increase the number of impaired drivers on our roads.

Legal cannabis will actually increase illegal cannabis, like it does everywhere it is tried.

Legalized cannabis will increase the risk of experimentation and addiction for our children.

Dangerous edibles will find their way to your children and voting for this could cost your kid their life.

All types of cannabis businesses pollute the air and consume precious water resources. This will fill the air you breathe with its well-known stench.

Every place that has legalized recreational cannabis in this manner has come to regret it.

Do not turn your city over to Big Cannabis and its supporters on the City Council. The last thing we need is yet another special interest controlling our city!

For more information and documentation see: <https://hbra.us/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/No-on-HB-Pot-Shops.pdf>

"The undersigned authors of the Direct Argument Against the Measure on Taxation of Commercial Cannabis Businesses at the General Municipal Election for the City of Huntington Beach to be held on November 8, 2022, hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief."

Signed: Russell Neal

Date: 7-28-2022

Russell Neal, Vice President of Huntington Beach Republican Assembly

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FORM OF STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 3 (beginning with § 9200) of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following form statement **to be signed** by each proponent, and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the primary argument Against Measure on Taxation of Commercial Businesses at the General Municipal Election for the City of Huntington Beach to be held on November 8, 2022, hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

Print Name <u>RUSSELL NEAL</u> Title <u>VICE PRESIDENT</u> (If applicable): Submitted on behalf of : <u>HUNTINGTON BEACH REPUBLICAN ASSEMBLY</u> (name of organization)	Signature <u><i>Russell Neal</i></u> Date <u>7-28-2022</u>
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 Print his/her name **and sign the Argument itself** (EC 9283)
 AND
 Print his/her name **and sign the Rebuttal Argument itself** (EC 9285)

Further, pursuant to Election Code § 9282, printed arguments submitted to the voters shall be titled either "Argument In Favor Of Measure on Taxation of Commercial Businesses" or "Argument Against Measure on Taxation of Commercial Businesses".

Likewise, printed rebuttal arguments submitted pursuant to Election Code § 9285 shall be titled either "Rebuttal To Argument In Favor Of Measure on Taxation of Commercial Businesses" or "Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure on Taxation of Commercial Businesses".

Give this form to Council Members, Proponents, and Opponents of Measures

The following statement shall be included on the front cover, or if none, on the heading of the first page of the printed arguments in the Voter Information Guide: