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Colorado TABOR Fact of the Day **TABOR- It's Good for Your Health**

Claims that TABOR is Detrimental to the Health of Coloradans Unfounded

On November 1st, Coloradans will vote on Referenda C and D and will decide on whether to allow state government to keep ALL excess tax revenues beyond the spending limit set by the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights.

Make no mistake-- passage of these measures will result in a tax increase of over \$3.6 billion.

Tax-hike hungry spenders in Denver say that the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights, TABOR, has made health care in Colorado sick. However, according to a 2004 survey conducted by United Health Foundation,

Colorado is the 13th healthiest state in the country.

More specifically, the United Health Foundation says, "Colorado ranks among the top ten states for seven of the 18 individual measures; the state has a low prevalence of smoking at 18.6 percent of the population, a low prevalence of obesity at 16.0 percent of the population, a low percentage of children in poverty at 11.9 percent of persons under age 18, a low number of limited activity days per month at 1.7 days in the previous 30 days, a low rate of deaths from cardiovascular disease at 278.6 deaths per 100,000 population, a low rate of cancer deaths at 179.1 deaths per 100,000 population and a low total mortality rate at 806.2 deaths per 100,000 population."*

Since when is a healthy state bad for Coloradans?!

Colorado voters must vote NO on Referenda C and D!

*Quote and survey results found on <http://www.unitedhealthfoundation.org/shr2004/states/Colorado.html>

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