



2006 General Election Initiative and Referendum (I & R) Priorities
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State	I & R Number/Title	Description	ATR Position and website for more information
Arizona	201	This measure would prohibit smoking in public places of employment, creates a 2 cent per pack tobacco tax, and requires the posting of no smoking signs and the removal of all ashtrays from public places.	ATR opposes this measure.
California	Prop 86	Proposition 86 would increase the tax on cigarettes an additional \$2.60 per pack, bringing the tax to \$3.47 a pack from the current 87 cents. If passed, the average price of a pack of cigarettes would be \$4 to \$6.55 per pack. Proponents estimate revenue generated from the increase would amount to approximately \$2.1 billion.	ATR opposes this measure. www.noprop86.org www.stop86.org
California	Prop 87	The measure would impose a severance tax on every barrel of oil produced in California. The rate of the tax would increase as the price of oil rises, allowing the tax to reach a high of 6 percent. If enacted the measure would raise taxes on oil production	ATR opposes this measure www.nooiltax.com

		by \$4 billion over ten years, resulting in approximately \$400 million a year to be spent on research and development of alternative energy.	
Idaho	Prop 1	Initiative increasing K-12 education funding for local public schools by adding one percent to state sales tax.	ATR opposes this measure
Maine	An Act to Create a Taxpayers Bill of Rights	The Taxpayer Bill of Rights will limit the annual growth in government. The measure controls state expenditures to grow no faster than the rate of annual population growth plus inflation, and restricts tax increases or spending above the limit unless approved by voters. Surplus revenue above the expenditure growth limit will accrue in a Rainy Day fund with a portion returned to the taxpayers.	ATR supports this measure www.taxpayerbillofrights.com
Missouri	3	Additional taxes of four cents per cigarette and twenty percent of the manufacturer's invoice price on other tobacco products generates an estimated \$351 - \$499 million annually for tobacco	ATR opposes this measure.

		control programs, healthcare for low income Missourians, and payments for services provided to Missouri Medicaid beneficiaries and uninsured Missourians.	
Nebraska	Measure 423	The SOS initiative would amend the state constitution to limit the annual growth in government. The measure controls state general fund expenditures to grow no faster than the rate of annual population growth plus inflation, and restricts tax increases or spending above the SOS limit unless approved by voters. Surplus revenue above the expenditure growth limit will accrue in a Rainy Day fund with a portion returned to the taxpayers.	ATR supports this measure www.nebraskasos.com

<p>Oregon</p>	<p>Initiative 6</p>	<p>The initiative would amend the state constitution to limit the annual growth in government. The measure controls state general fund expenditures to grow no faster than the rate of annual population growth plus inflation, and restricts tax increases or spending above the SOS limit unless approved by voters. Surplus revenue above the expenditure growth limit will accrue in a Rainy Day fund with a portion returned to the taxpayers.</p>	<p>ATR supports this measure</p> <p>www.rainydayamendment.com</p>
<p>South Dakota</p>	<p>Measure 2</p>	<p>Initiated Measure to increase the tax on cigarettes and tobacco products, to dedicate the revenue for tobacco prevention and cessation programs, property tax reduction, education enhancement, and health care, and to make an annual appropriation therefore.</p>	<p>ATR opposes this measure</p>
<p>South Dakota</p>	<p>Ballot Initiative 8</p>	<p>Initiated Measure to repeal the four percent (4%) gross receipts tax imposed by South Dakota Codified Law Chapter 10-33A upon wireless telecommunication services.</p>	<p>ATR supports this measure.</p> <p>www.sdyeson8.org</p>

Washington	I-920	This measure would repeal state's law imposing tax, currently dedicated to the education legacy fund, on transfers of estates of persons dying on or after the effective date of this measure.	ATR supports this measure
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