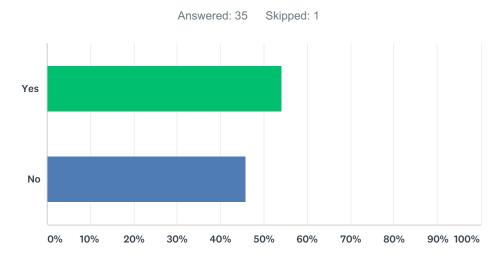
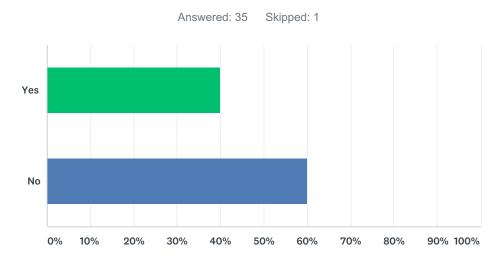
Q1 Do you generally support a carbon pollution tax?



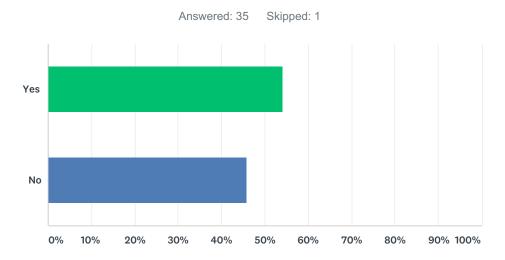
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	54.29%	19
No	45.71%	16
TOTAL		35

Q2 Would you support a carbon pollution tax if it raised gas prices by 10 cents per gallon?



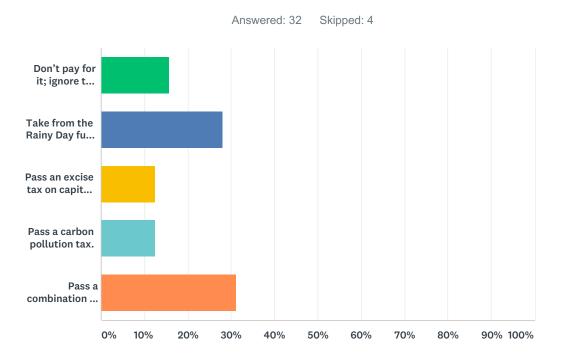
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	40.00%	14
No	60.00%	21
TOTAL		35

Q3 Would you support a carbon pollution tax as one component of a larger revenue package?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	54.29%	19
No	45.71%	16
TOTAL		35

Q4 How should we fully fund education, a \$950 million investment, to meet the Supreme Court's requirements on McCleary?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Don't pay for it; ignore the state Supreme Court.	15.63%	5
Take from the Rainy Day fund, revenue reserves.	28.13%	9
Pass an excise tax on capital gains.	12.50%	4
Pass a carbon pollution tax.	12.50%	4
Pass a combination of new revenue.	31.25%	10
TOTAL		32

Q5 What do you think?Leave a comment with your thoughts, feedback and suggestions.

Answered: 22 Skipped: 14

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1	We need a progressive income tax and impact fees. Those that are benefiting from the growth need to help pay!	1/18/2018 12:55 PM
2	I've recently retired and am now on a "fixed income". We already have the 2nd highest gas tax in the nation, one of the highest sales tax states, car tab taxes had skyrocketed, property taxes continue to increase, and now Seattle is taxing soda pop and other cities may follow. Where does the buck stop? Most of the property tax goes to schools, the lottery was originally "supposed" to go to schools. What happened to that? If I had ever gone to my boss when I was working and told him/her that I've incurred some additional expenses so now I need a 10 percent (or whatever) raise, I would have been laughed out of the office or maybe lost my job. It seems everyone wants a cut of the states money. I think some of the "fluf" needs to be cut and used for what's really necessary. This state needs to stop thinking of itself as a Ferrari or Lamborghini and think more about being a nice dependable Chevy or Ford that still gets the job done. That's just my 2 cents.	1/14/2018 4:12 PM
3	State income tax	1/13/2018 1:40 PM
4	I know you are on the Rules and Education Committee. I also see you on the Finance committee. I don't see any effort being put out for behavioral health/homelessness as well as how much money is being sucked out of the budget by Sound Transit which when finished will only support a portion of the population that can get to the light rail. Not the economically disadvantaged that would have to take ancillary transportation just to get to the Light Rail. I know Washington state is in trouble with the Feds for education. It seems, though, there is some tunnel vision going on. Sound Transit seems to be lining its pockets and threatening dire results if they don't get their way. I watched them in action at the Kent meeting last year with some of your colleagues.	1/12/2018 2:19 PM
5	Nice job Steven!!	1/10/2018 12:29 AM
6	Education and minimizing impacts on the environment are critical to protecting the health safety and welfare of the public. Those that skimp on paying for these items are just pushing problems and costs off onto future generations	1/9/2018 6:16 PM
7	I am still not convinced that basic education was funded. My Principal's salary is not part of the funding nor are several other positions that are vital to my daughter's school. I heard they didn't even fund all of the sick days allotted to teachers. Local districts are funding so many things that are basic to education. Are you satisfied on special education? Students are changing and there are growing social emotional needs. We need more support staff to help at my daughter's school. Please revisit and find more tax options. Thank you for reading and considering. I really appreciate the work you are doing on my behalf! Seth	1/9/2018 5:39 PM
8	The court should not be legislating. And they can't force you to pass a law.	1/9/2018 5:30 PM
9	We as tax payers, when our income changes good or bad, have to adjust our spending habits. I feel the government, when faced with not enough money for their intended budget, just decide that the tax payers should pony up even more money for the programs that need funding instead of looking for was to make ends meet.	1/9/2018 3:09 PM
10	People are tired of MORE TAXES MORE TAXES MORE TAXES.Live within a budget.\$30 dollar car tabs means \$30	1/9/2018 2:18 PM
11	My taxes have gone up \$1000 this year just for the fire department and more for other programs. Quit spending.!	1/9/2018 1:47 PM
12	stop raising taxes start cutting gov waste our state gov solution to everything is to raise taxes I am retired and on fixed income my monthly income doesn't change but my taxes go up every year this state is getting out of control with its taxes	1/9/2018 1:18 PM

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	How about cutting waste, cutting regulations & the state agencies needed to track & do paperwork for those regulations. Why not have car tabs every 2 years (like Oregon) it would save cost of yearly renewals. Drug test aid recipients, (if positive for drugs offer treatment 1 time, 2nd positive no aid!) WE the taxpayers have to pass drug tests to be employed! Eliminate taxes on MEDICAL Marijuana. Increase requirements to get a medical card (reduce cost for a card & expand time frame (3-5 years?) Yearly is too often & COSTLY. Government taxes/fees are making continuation of black market more likely. Allow limited home grow for all. (also would eliminate more black market.) Also would further reduce the opioid crisis. I realize it's against the very fabric of a politician to help any citizen without a fee or tax, but please SERVE your constituents! Or, Why not beat SEATTLE to it & pass a CANDY tax. (they only went after soda pop) Kidding!	1/9/2018 12:30 PM
14	It's well past time to TAX THE RICH - cap gains is a great start. Be fearless.	1/9/2018 12:10 PM
15	With the federal tax bill that went through, there should be opportunities to make WA's tax system more progressive, eg. capital gains	1/9/2018 11:08 AM
16	People in WA are being taxed to death. Perhaps parents with children should pay for their children's education instead depending upon others. Also why are we paying for bike lanes when they don't even pay a license tab. Need to stop providing for people living on the street unless they are willing to work.	1/9/2018 11:06 AM
17	If there are not enough funds and/or revenue to pay for current educational costs, why is there a mention of pay increases? The educational expenses should be paid through current, existing funds, so in order to do this, it sounds like there are other items in the budget that should be reduced, or in some cases, terminated. It doesn't make sense to take funds out of a "rainy day account" because this does not address the actual problem - what will happen at the next budget? Where will the money come from then? A carbon tax used for educational purposes does not make sense. If there is a carbon pollution tax, the funds from that tax should be spend on carbon pollution, not siphoned off into something else. The State of Washington needs to live within its means. It may be painful, but it seems like there are millions and millions of dollars spent on "pet projects". These projects may help certain individuals, they may be nice for political gain, they may be nice to do, and even important, but until the State can address the most important/imperative	1/9/2018 10:48 AM
	issues, these other political projects need to be ended in order to address the most important, imperative budget considerations.	
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