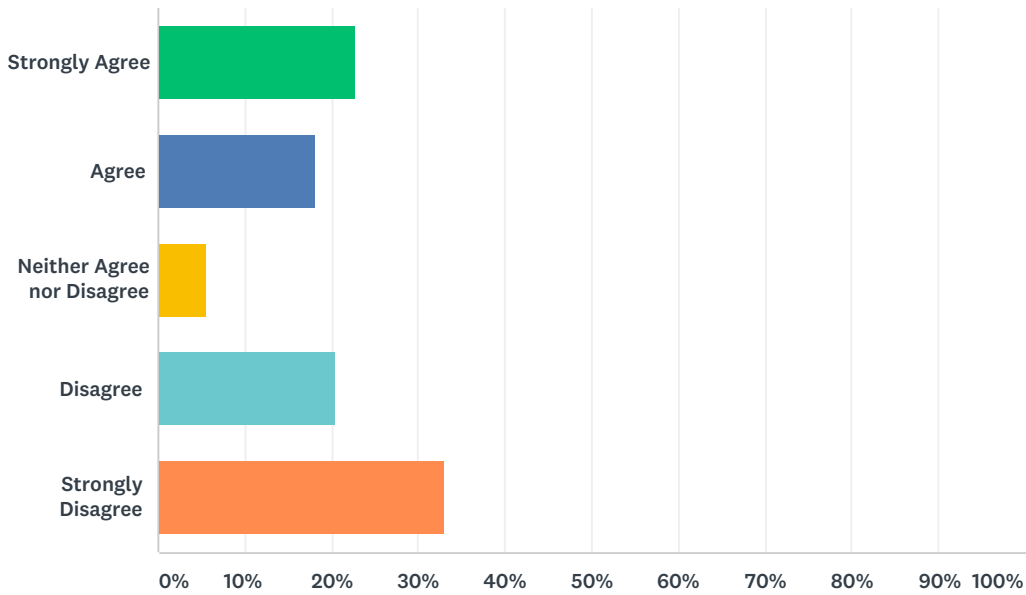


Q1 Requiring the wealthiest Washingtonians to pay a 9% excise tax on capital gains (profit made on the sale of stocks, bonds, etc.). Exemptions would include residential real estate, retirement accounts, farms, forestry, and any single filing under \$25,000 or joint filing under \$50,000. / \$2.095 Billion

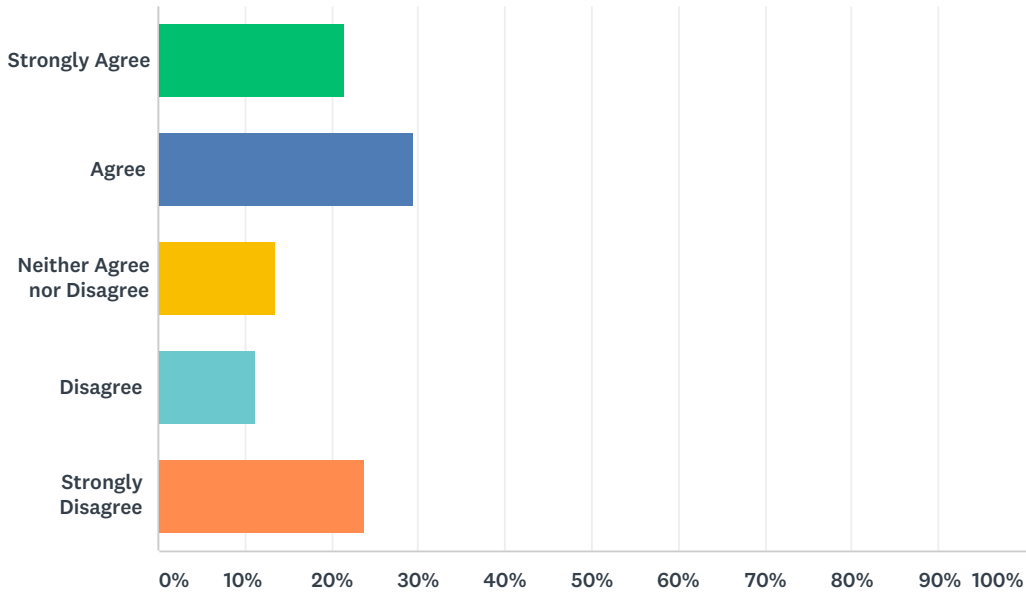
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	22.73%	20
Agree	18.18%	16
Neither Agree nor Disagree	5.68%	5
Disagree	20.45%	18
Strongly Disagree	32.95%	29
TOTAL		88

Q2 Transitioning to a graduated Real Estate Excise Tax with the following thresholds: lowered rates (0.75%) for sales less than \$250K; the current rate (1.28%) for sales between \$250K and \$1M; 2% rate for sales between \$1M and \$5M; and 2.5% rate for sales over \$5M. / \$402 Million

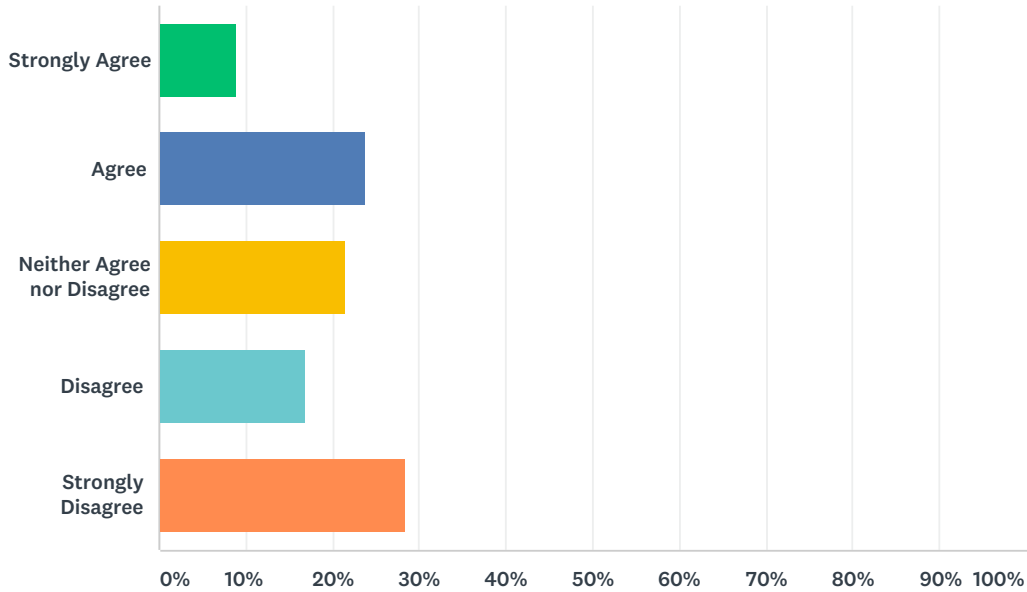
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	21.59%	19
Agree	29.55%	26
Neither Agree nor Disagree	13.64%	12
Disagree	11.36%	10
Strongly Disagree	23.86%	21
TOTAL		88

Q3 Increasing the Business and Occupation tax rate by 1 percent on lawyers, lobbyists, accountants and other “professional service providers.” / \$2.6 Billion

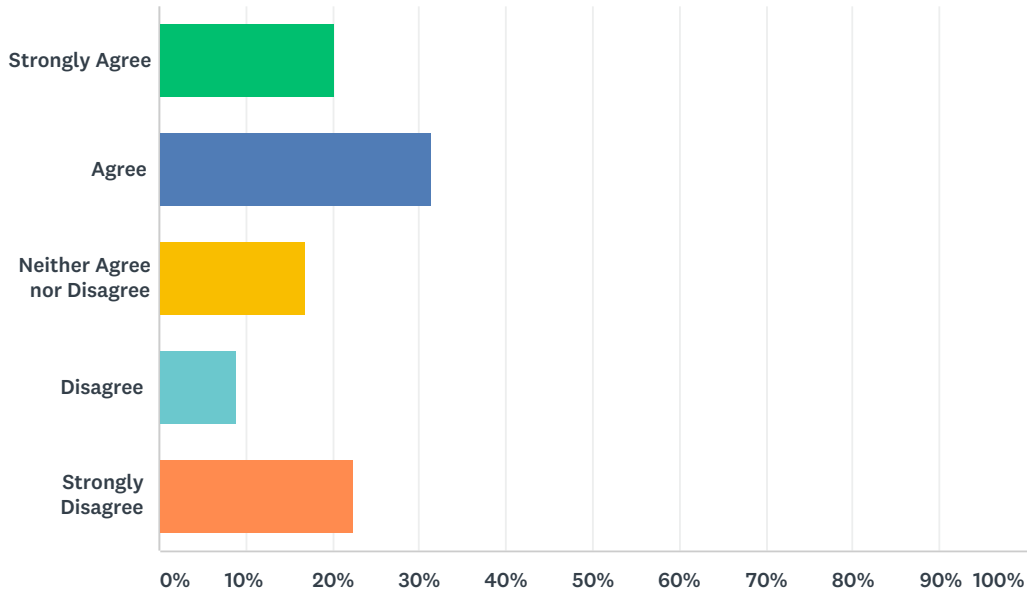
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	9.09%	8
Agree	23.86%	21
Neither Agree nor Disagree	21.59%	19
Disagree	17.05%	15
Strongly Disagree	28.41%	25
TOTAL		88

Q4 Modifying current Washington tax law to reflect the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision, allowing online sales tax to be collected on purchases from businesses physically located outside of Washington. / \$120 Million

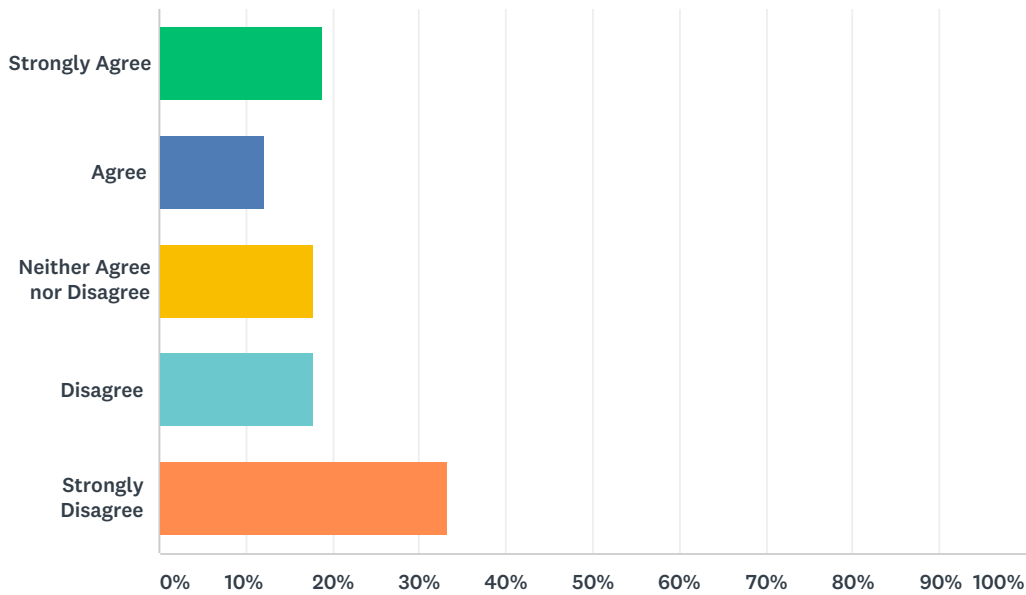
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	20.22%	18
Agree	31.46%	28
Neither Agree nor Disagree	16.85%	15
Disagree	8.99%	8
Strongly Disagree	22.47%	20
TOTAL		89

Q5 None of the above. Instead of increasing revenue, slash state-run programs and services. This would mean a mixture of not making all of the investments in the Governor's proposed budget and making significant cuts to things like mental health and substance abuse services, programs and assistance for those experiencing homelessness, childcare and early learning programs, healthcare for low-income families, food assistance, foster care, higher education, environmental protections and oversight, and more.

Answered: 90 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly Agree	18.89%	17
Agree	12.22%	11
Neither Agree nor Disagree	17.78%	16
Disagree	17.78%	16
Strongly Disagree	33.33%	30
TOTAL		90

Q6 Share any other ideas on the best approach to fund essential state services:

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	In favor of cutting Governor's budget, wasteful spending, and not raising taxes since soon none of us will be able to afford to live in this state. I resent the presentation of item 5 above....once again, bottom line...raise taxes, knowing they would be used for something other than essential services.	2/26/2019 5:06 PM
2	1% income tax (change the law), everybody making above \$50,000 pays. 2% capital gains tax, everybody pays.	2/25/2019 9:49 PM
3	Decrease the time it takes to make a decision & to achieve results. Example - adding a lane to I-405, twenty years is too long and expensive, wasted resources. Improve the process, remove the barriers.	2/25/2019 1:56 AM
4	To be clear my concerns on the B&O tax are how poorly targeted that tax is in the first place. What we should be doing is making a concerted push to change our state constitution to allow an income tax. I realize no one wants to be the legislator who jumps in front of that train but we have one of the most regressive tax systems in the country because we don't have a state income tax. Any changes to the tax code we make to make it more progressive would be good.	2/24/2019 11:08 AM
5	I'd like to note that #5 has very biased wording. While I am personally willing to pay for more services and environmental protections, saying that services would be "slashed" is not neutral wording.	2/22/2019 4:40 PM
6	Make it easier for people to donate their money to the programs they feel most passionate about. An example is when you pay for your car tabs you have the option of donating to the Parks program or Organ. Donor program. I don't believe wealthy people should be penalized because they are wealthy, everyone should pay their fair share of taxes.(I am not wealthy) but still don't think someone should be penalized because worked hard an make more money, there also shouldn't be loopholes for wealthy people or businesses to get out of paying taxes. I'm most in favor of paying sales tax whether you purchase in state or out especially if this will keep sales tax from increasing to keep it fair for all income levels.	2/21/2019 9:40 PM
7	An Income Tax on individuals earning more than \$200,000 a year.	2/21/2019 3:26 PM
8	A carbon tax could be used for non-controversial things like education. Instituting the capitol gains tax is a no-brainer and should be instituted a hundred years ago.	2/20/2019 3:47 PM
9	Quit building apartments and condos. Our infrastructure will not support more people. We already have traffic gridlock. Property taxes are too high. Quit raising taxes. Air quality is worse because of concentrated population in larger cities. Quit funding all these social programs. Homeless camps, free college tuition, highway tolls, targeted taxes, REALLY !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	2/20/2019 2:24 PM
10	Would agree with number 1 except the exemption needs to be a higher income. Making \$29,000 in WA doesn't make you part of "Wealthiest Washingtonians" Maybe I misunderstand. Is that number about income from capitol gains or total income? Because if it is about total income I think that tax makes sense for anyone making over 200,000 individually but not for hard working police officers, teachers, librarians and office workers trying to save for the future.	2/20/2019 9:25 AM
11	Live within your means --- like most of the households in the state do. Let's forget the "pie in the sky" ideas of the left!!!!	2/20/2019 8:40 AM
12	I am sure if you look long and hard you all can find areas to cut in the budget that won't be harmful to most people!	2/19/2019 9:16 PM

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13	Require legal citizenship or current approved visa for drivers licenses; Require proof of citizenship ID for voting rights, Increase taxes on business employing illegal immigrant by 50%, make those responsible for approving (forcing) the Seattle tunnel project which was voted down by three times by the public, pay for all incurred costs related to it, removed tolled highway lanes for the overly privileged and designate them as "bypass lanes" for large (26000lbs and above) commercial vehicle which help our states businesses thrive, Increase taxes on all Washington business which do not offer discounted medical plans for employees by 10%. Fix DSHS before giving them a single cent. Downsize non-essential roles in the ineffective bureaucracy that is call government in Washington.	2/19/2019 8:11 PM
14	I suspect that there are some budget items that could be scaled back without too great an impact, but I believe that it is unreasonable to believe that the stat's budget problems can be fixed by budget cuts alone. There are so many items that are best funded by tax dollars or public/private partnerships. (How much have public/private partnerships been explored?) Perhaps a side issue - but sometimes "a stick in time saved nine ": could we revisit spending money to thin forests in fire-prone areas? I have read reports which indicate that proactive thinning of forests is much less expensive than fighting forest fires after they start! This could be a cost saving measure that would have a big impact on human health and the health of the planet. I suspect that there is also an opportunity for public/private partnerships in this matter- which would reduce the state's costs even more! My 2 cents worth.	2/19/2019 7:34 PM
15	Increase the efficiency of state employees by decreasing the beauacry....	2/19/2019 5:08 PM
16	Discontinue tax give aways to corps like Boeing.	2/19/2019 5:03 PM
17	don't do anything that would destroy the progress Pres Trump has done to help create jobs.	2/19/2019 4:15 PM
18	Cuts need to be made to give away programs. Put a time limit on how long individuals can collet welfare and get food stamps less the elderly who have worked there whole lives to now eat dog food .	2/19/2019 3:35 PM
19	Instead of giving the governor and judges a 17% raise this year, or any year, limit government raises to the same percentage as social security raises. The Government will never have enough money and will always find reasons to raise taxes. They won't be happy until everyone is homeless and they raise taxes to 100% to take care of the problems they created in the first place. NO Tax increases.	2/19/2019 3:31 PM
20	Maybe it is as simple as you find a way to make the money "essential state services" already gets, work. We have to live within our means, maybe the government should too!!!!	2/19/2019 2:57 PM
21	retired people have to live on a fixed income. State should fund required items only then excess used for other programs should be . A lot of items being funded by the state should be done at the locally level.	2/19/2019 2:34 PM
22	Need protection for individuals living on fixed incomes, or over 65. They do not benefit from a booming economy.	2/19/2019 2:14 PM
23	Do not give Inslee 5 billion for his whales. They might want to look into Fukushima as the loss of food for the whales as it is still spewing radiation into the Pacific. Mr. Inslee is way out of control. Your survey didn't give enough information to give informed answers . There are other things to cut other than the things mentioned in #5. What are you doing to stop the legal shooting heroin galleries in King County and Seattle?	2/19/2019 1:54 PM
24	Take revenue from none essential programs, which are many.	2/19/2019 12:37 PM
25	Stop giving companies like Boeing and Amazon breaks. They are liars and do not treat their employees with respect.	2/19/2019 12:23 PM
26	Cut the ridiculously over generous property tax subsidies certain homeowners are receiving. One of my neighbors pays about \$500 and another about \$1800, whereas I'm paying about \$4300 for the same size and type of home. Scott Noble once said on the radio that our property taxes are twice what they would be if there were no subsidies. Let's limit subsidies to that 50% of what a non-subsidized owner would pay. I was taught if you can't afford something you shouldn't buy it. This also applies to utilities and other subsidies.	2/19/2019 11:54 AM
27	Your definition of "essential" state services needs a serious look over in my opinion.	2/19/2019 11:28 AM
28	Bring back permanent COLA for PERS1 retired State workers. !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	2/19/2019 11:21 AM

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29	A lot of money is wasted. Give each State agency a thorough going over and cut unnecessary spending and jobs. Stop ALL spending on illegal aliens. If you lock your doors, you should support locking the Country's doors. We need to look at helping legal citizens first and if we can solve that problem then we can make room for others. Stop selective law enforcement, enforce all laws equally or take necessary steps to remove them.	2/19/2019 10:58 AM
30	1. Identify the top 50% of essential state services and fund them first. Reduce funding or eliminate all funding for items in the bottom 50% to keep from raising any taxes over population growth and inflation. 2. Identify those items that can ONLY be provided by the State and fund them first. Decide which services that can also be provided by others will be provided in part or in whole by others to live so we do NOT need to increase taxes over population growth and inflation. 3 We should be looking at eliminating/outsourcing 10% of state government every year. There are things we must do, things we would be better off doing, things that might be nice to do, and things that are just a pain in the a@@@ that government must stop doing. The 10% yearly reduction would really start lopping off the bottom of that list which would both be doing good and saving money!	2/19/2019 10:48 AM
31	Regarding #1. The proposal says wealthiest 9% when in reality it is saying that if you as a single make over \$25K/ joint \$50K your investments would be subject to the tax!! Come on the % that would have to pay this tax would be closer to 90% than 9%. If you work hard are middle class and invest your money the states going to take your profits! Regarding the graduated real estate tax- With the cost of homes almost no one would be in the lowest bracket. Big spread between \$250K - 1M. How about 500K-1M. Re #5. Why do all the cuts need to come from those programs listed there? The state needs to look at waste in other areas and make cuts. Washington needs spend within it's means.	2/19/2019 10:42 AM
32	Stop taxing people, Real Estate Taxes are too high, No wonder there are so many people homeless. It's time for people who have kids in school to pay at least two hundred dollars yearly. For people who choose not to work stop providing funds to them. No work, no food with the exception of the elderly and true handicap.	2/19/2019 10:39 AM
33	I believe it is the job of the legislature to adjust the budget and programs to reflect the income. This doesn't include taking more and more of peoples money. In the 50's the sales tax was 3.33% it was later raised to 5% when it was removed from food. Why is 9.5% not enough today? Is it mismanagement or is that our state officials can't get enough of other peoples money?	2/19/2019 10:35 AM
34	Income tax	2/19/2019 10:34 AM
35	No money or resources to those who choose to be homeless, not follow rules, trash our cities, harass citizens who want to use city parks and trails. Stop free handouts and require something in exchange for help.	2/19/2019 10:20 AM
36	slash state-run programs and services to "ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS" (not Legal immigrants) Add WORK or at least attempted work for ALL able bodied people on HANDOUTS. Train them to get OFF handouts, don't just keep your voters under your thumb!! . Taxing service providers will do nothing but increase prices to consumers. (This state already has some of the worst taxes on everything imaginable) . Additional taxes on capital gains would maybe be ok at a smaller level. To state that those that make over \$25,000 are considered the "Wealthiest" is ludicrous!	2/19/2019 10:06 AM
37	This is all bull I had to work hard to pay my own way all of my life I am tied of having to take care of every one else I can't afford higher education but I paid for my children. The state government is over paid and over staffed on the top level, too many chief and not enough on the lower end. I've been retired sense 1994 and what rises I get have gone to help pay for my medical care and supplemental insurance. I have never ask for any thing and nether have my family. My parents live during the heart depression and didn't have much. So don't keep asking for more money from people like myself. I'm my retirement and investments comes to under 50k so we are not rich by no means. Start supporting the laws on the books and stop spending work with in a budget I have to.	2/19/2019 9:53 AM
38	Please tax the ultra wealthy but find a balance so that business doesn't get scared away. Please educate our public on the fact that it will not negatively impact the middle and sub middle class. Some of the people in my circle voted no on the Gates initiative years ago because they didn't trust that it wouldn't trickle down to taxing everyone.	2/19/2019 9:45 AM
39	Sales tax on professional services is NOT a good way to fund anything. It hurts small businesses and practice. While large firms can absorb those costs it will make services provided to low and middle income citizens more unaffordable than they already are. It will make small practices unsustainable.	2/19/2019 9:18 AM

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40	What a loaded Survey!! It is so biased. Your wording is evasive and unclear. Q1 should include pierce the corporate veil for ALL longterm financial holdings including trusts/foundations. Q5 is misleading. If this state cannot cut 5-10% from it's budget without cutting services, then you support bloated bureaucracy and govt waste. ALSO go to the unreported investments in the CAFR reports to find the EXCESS money that lies in those accounts (read slush funds) and NOT reported as revenue/investments in the current budget!!	2/19/2019 9:12 AM
41	The ferry system should not be subsidized, nor should the state be involved in the bonds issued by the system. The system should be self-supporting	2/19/2019 9:10 AM
42	The government needs to become significantly more efficient before any more taxes. Streamline processes, reduce overhead. If businesses can do it, so can the government.	2/19/2019 9:04 AM
43	How much is the state paying for illegal immigrants? Use that first for low income families.	2/19/2019 9:00 AM
44	Add a state healthcare system available to all state residents that is low cost and provides revenue to the state. It would provide basic medical, dental and vision services. If a person wanted more coverage then they could get a supplemental policy through an insurance carrier. This would end the employer based healthcare system we have now and provide insurance to everyone.	2/19/2019 8:46 AM
45	Progressive income tax and reduced sales tax	2/19/2019 8:45 AM
46	I think there is a lot of revenue lost from internet sales from outside the state.	2/19/2019 8:45 AM
47	Cut government spending. Property taxes have increased significantly, so the state has increased money to work with.	2/19/2019 8:41 AM
48	Fairness and equity in the application of all taxes and expenditures - improved benefit distribution monitoring - focus on helping up the bottom 1-3% economic population - focus on providing full education to disadvantaged kids - focus on homeless kids protection and support	2/19/2019 8:39 AM
49	Whatever we do should not negatively affect our most vulnerable populations (low income, children/schools, mentally ill, etc). So I favor those options that affect those who are more wealthy, even if that means I am affected.	2/19/2019 8:37 AM