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News letter

SHARING THE BURDEN

Sharing the burden to bring California back. - Californians need a plan. The plan must be strong , detailed , fair and implementable. Californians first need to accept that REAL change is needed to obtain prosperity for future generations. Californian's also need to accept that current prosperity will be slow going , I would expect five years of very slow growth. Lastly we need to accept that our two existing parties will only sink us further into debt. To them political expedience (Misinformation) will be their guide and substantive changes are unlikely as they have been for the last 15 years.

Laying out the issues - Following is a list of issues for our State. There is no reference to social issues as the Reform Party does not have them in their Platform.

Declining Tax Revenue - Our principle loss is the loss of new business in California. Many business's have fled the state and many more have been burned by the burden of state requirements. California is one of the greatest states in the union and almost everybody wants to live here, that is if they could prosper here as well. Only a fool would struggle his whole life if there was a better life somewhere else. Very few Americans are fools. The solution here is a three step approach. Our approach will allow almost every standard California has to stay in place, but will reduce cost and expedite permits.

Cause - The state assembly has taken a position of fear and has burdened itself with legal concerns. This MINDSET has only one solution. Cover your ____. This is a cowardly stance, but it is prominent in present society. The state does not trust the cities and municipalities and is afraid to be sued by special interest groups and or the federal government. This should change to the state taking a stand against unnecessary laws and federal compliance. California needs to be independent and should trust the local governments to do the right thing, (follow the law).

Solution 1 (step1) - The state will reduce the number of agencies required to review permits by requiring the city to have the permittee meet the requirements. No other agency shall interfere unless the law is broken. The city may allow other municipalities to review the application, but they shall only contact the city. No additional fees would be subject to the applicant. If the state or other agencies do not trust the cities they can bring their own personnel to aid the city or take legal action against that city if necessary.

Solution 1 (step2) - Burdensome and unfair rules must be eliminated. 1. California should not allow itself to require international building codes. 2. California Coastal Commission should be required only within 1 mile of the coast or from PCH , west to the ocean only if PCH is further then 1 mile.



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Ceqa laws must change and the requirements of anthropologic regulations should be restricted to graves only. Ceqa laws must also change to remove unnecessary lawsuits. No law firm should represent a group unless all members of the group are listed. Cities should require a single hearing at the elected official level when the project is opposed. The coastal commission shall not have jurisdiction over these matter unless it is within the mile allowed. California law should allow countersuits if the legal action against Ceqa permits are unfounded or used to inhibit competition.

Note: - If you have additional information please contact me kravishealth@earthlink.net.

Solution 2 (step1) Raising taxes - It is clear that our debt is tremendous and unmanageable with our current approach. Taxes on business's and citizens must increase, but temporarily. If we increase taxes for years more people and business's will leave. We must make the burden bearable. That means there has to be light at the end of the tunnel. I propose a two prong approach. We should increase the tax burden by 5% for six months on all business's and citizens. This should be done for three years and in law shall be abolished at the end of that term.

Solution 2 (step2) Changing Special Tax rates - While we are increasing small business's and collecting more taxes we should reduce the special tax rates at 1% per year until they are eliminated. All business should pay at the same level. Fair is Fair.

What is gained - Business's bring in jobs , revenues and taxes. We must increase the number of new business's and this would do it.



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How the debt burden was created - While obvious, we spent more than we brought in, how did we get here? California's biggest debt problem is the inability of the legislature to adjust to the decreasing revenue, but more importantly the increasing guaranteed burden of pensions and health care.

Solution 1 - All new state employee's will not have guaranteed health care or pensions and will need to seek those services in the free market. The state will pass a constitutional amendment to reflect that. The state will also pass an amendment to limit all contracts to have a maximum of 2 years.

Solution 2 - All existing state employee's will agree to move their to-date existing pensions over to the free market relieving the state of its future burden.

Solution 3 - Individual Schools will have a budget per student. A minimum of 100 students will be calculated for smaller schools. Local schools shall make decisions for their school.

Solution 4 - Health Costs will be maintained by introducing loan money to qualified doctors who will open clinics. Restrictions against small clinics must be lifted. Cash may be collected for services and there should be a cost menu for services.

Solution 5 - Welfare, The benefits of Welfare will stay the the same, but the qualification will change to add one condition. No recipient shall have a television or television service to their place of residence in any name.

Solution 6 - Illegal immigration, California shall start a new policy for illegal Mexican immigration. All illegal immigrants from Mexico shall come forth and reveal themselves. This shall be available for certain number of months. California will then issue a 3 year residency and this will act as citizenship in California. Upon expiration of the 3 years those person should return to Mexico and will be expelled if they have not left.