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Assembly Rules Chair Ken Cooley Releases Measure to Take Over California Healthcare

(Sacramento) Taxpayer-friendly organizations and legislators released warnings today that AB 1400, and its companion measure ACA 11, would increase taxes on Californians by nearly \$163 billion per year – the biggest tax increase in state history. The Sacramento Republican Party called out Rules Committee Chair Ken Cooley who previously held the measures in the Rules Committee but allowed it to move forward now that the Recall of Governor Newsom is over.

“Evidently, our hard-earned dollars are burning a hole in the pockets of the Governor and the Legislative leaders,” said Sacramento County Republican Party Chair Betsy Mahan. “Democrats would like the same government that brought you months-long wait lists at EDD and \$20 billion in fraud to now take over your entire health care system. Their policies have brought Californians sky-high costs for homes, energy, and gas. But don’t worry, they promise healthcare will be cheaper. What could go wrong?”

Assembly Republican Leader Marie Waldren said, “The Rules Committee used to be a place where reasonable people stood as a check against the bad ideas of radical ideologues. Apparently, that is no longer the case.” Waldren said she looks forward to shining a light on “how much taxes will increase on the middle class, how many people will be kicked off their current health care plan, what Democrats will say to the seniors whose Medicare funds will be raided, how long wait times will be, the extent to which bureaucrats will ration care and how many hospitals will close.”

“AB 1400 is the biggest proposed tax increase in state history and is a direct attack on the middle class at a time when everyday Californians are already struggling to pay their bills,” said Josh Hoover, Vice President of the Folsom Cordova School Board and Candidate for the newly drawn 7th Assembly District in Sacramento County. “Stopping bills like this is why I chose to run for the Assembly. These policies

show a complete disregard for families who already pay more to live here than almost any state in the nation.”

Mahan said, “Ken Cooley’s liberal voting record is one of the best kept secrets in Sacramento politics. As Chair of Rules, he has facilitated all of the failed policies that have resulted in California’s high cost of living, unprecedented increase in homelessness, frivolous spending, increase in crime, and the exodus of fed-up families and businesses from California. If Cooley decides to run for re-election, we’ll be ready to show the impact of his tenure as Governor Newsom and Speaker Rendon’s good soldier, running our State into the ground.”

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