

GET THE FACTS:

NO VERMONT BEVERAGE TAX

Vermont has a significant budget surplus after receiving historic levels of federal funding. The last place the legislature should look for revenue to fund programs is a tax that will hurt working families and small businesses.



Now is not the time to increase taxes on Vermont consumers and businesses.

- ▶ Costs are rising for working families in Vermont. Inflation, supply chain issues, and the price of gas are making everyday items more expensive. Working families can't afford more price increases.
- ▶ Customers will cross the border to shop tax-free in New York, New Hampshire and Massachusetts; this will only hurt Vermont businesses and deprive the state of revenue.



Workers and families across the state are facing so many economic uncertainties, we should not be adding to that burden.

- ▶ So many in our state are facing food insecurity; this will make it harder to afford groceries.
- ▶ Local businesses have worked hard to recover from the challenges of the pandemic. A large tax on beverages is another burden placed on businesses, and would lead to job losses and higher prices.



2-Liter Soft Drink

\$0.68

price increase



8-Pack Sports Drinks (20 oz.)

\$1.60

price increase



6-Pack of Iced Tea (16.9 oz.)

\$1.01

price increase



Lemonade

(8 qts from 19 oz. powder)

\$2.56

price increase



12-Pack of Soft Drinks

\$1.44

price increase



5-Gallon Bag-in-a-Box

\$38.40

price increase

**SAY NO TO A
BEVERAGE TAX**

Join our coalition today.

