

AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY

A TAXPAYER PROTECTION ACT AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT Pledge

Whereas, I believe in fiscal discipline and that government should not pose an unnecessary burden on taxpayers;

Whereas, I believe that government should not grow faster than the state's population and inflation;

Whereas, I believe that government should be accountable to the people;

I support the following principles:

Annual state spending growth should be limited to the rate of population growth and inflation.

Excess revenues collected above this limit should be used to create Emergency and Budget Stabilization funds and be refunded to taxpayers through tax cuts;

Moreover, tax and spending increases must be approved by the people's vote or a legislative supermajority;

Therefore, I JERRY A. MADDEN
(Office holder/candidate of the State of Texas)

pledge to support a Taxpayer Protection Act and constitutional amendment.

PROHIBITION ON PUBLIC DOLLARS FOR ADVOCACY Pledge

Whereas, millions of taxpayer dollars are being used in legislative advocacy;

Whereas, taxpayer dollars are used specifically to pay lobbyists and join associations that lobby;

Whereas, taxpayers elect officials to represent their interests;

Whereas, some lobby and advocacy work focuses on increasing spending and represent taxpayer dollars being used to lobby for more taxpayer dollars; I support the following prohibition:

No interest group that engages in lobbying or political activity should be subsidized by taxpayer dollars;

Any group testifying before the state legislature should be required to divulge any local, state or federal funding they receive, including membership fees and dues; and

I support efforts to prohibit public funds from being used to lobby or influence legislation and/or to conduct advocacy.

Therefore, I JERRY A. MADDEN
(Office holder/candidate of the State of Texas)

Pledge to support a prohibition on public funds being used for lobby or advocacy activities.

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