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<https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/Initiatives/InitiativesHome.html>

### **Argument For Proposition 117**

- 1) Proposition 117 strengthens the role of citizens in determining the proper size and scope of government. The state government uses enterprises to grow its budget without voter approval. Coloradans approved TABOR to require voter consent for tax increases; this measure extends this principle to fees collected by large new enterprises. Fees, like taxes, are paid by everyday Coloradans and businesses, so voters should have a say in their creation.

### **Argument Against Proposition 117**

- 1) Enterprises were specifically exempted from the spending restrictions of TABOR and work as intended; they shift the responsibility for paying for a government-provided service from all taxpayers to the people who use and benefit from the service. If fewer enterprises are created as a result of Proposition 117, the state may be forced to choose between using tax revenue to pay for critical services that would otherwise be funded through user fees, or not providing these services.