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## **TUA GOES INTO THE BELLY OF THE BEAST TO NAME TAXPAYER TRAITORS UNES AND HAMMOND**

Taxpayers United of America (TUA) sent its Director of Outreach, Val Zimnicki, into the districts of “Taxpayer Traitors” St. Rep. Michael D. Unes (R-91, Pekin) and St. Rep. Norine K. Hammond (R-93, Macomb), to alert their constituents that these two reps joined ten other Springfield Republican lawmakers in voting Yes to override Gov. Bruce Rauner’s veto of the huge, 32% Democrat-sponsored state personal income tax increase.

Zimnicki and local taxpayers handed out “wanted” fliers of the taxpayer traitors, showing their mugs behind bars, where some feel they belong. They informed voters that most of the \$5 billion from this latest income tax increase will be funneled into the state’s floundering government-employee pension funds, just like previous tax increases, feeding the lavish, gold-plated pensions of these retired government employees.

“These Taxpayer Traitors made possible the largest permanent income tax hike in the state’s history, increasing the personal income tax rate to 4.95 percent from 3.75 percent, and the corporate income tax rate from 7.75 percent to 9.5 percent,” said Zimnicki.

“Elected officials who support tax increases should be thrown from office,” said Zimnicki. “The State of Illinois is in a financial death-spiral thanks to these Republican-In-Name-Only politicians, who joined forces with Chicago machine boss and Ill. House Speaker Michael Madigan in passing these back-breaking tax increases.”