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ILLINOIS TAXPAYERS AGAIN THREATENED WITH HUGE TAX INCREASE

Chicago – Illinois taxpayers should brace themselves one more time as Springfield Democrats plot to raise the state income tax, according to Jim Tobin, economist and president of Taxpayers United of America (TUA).

"The lavish, gold-plated pension plans for retired government employees have decimated the state's finances," said Tobin. "The billions of dollars from previous tax increases passed by the Springfield Democrats have been funneled into the floundering state pension systems."

"Illinois Governor Jay Robert 'J. B.' Pritzker, one of the worst, if not the worst Illinois Governor, had his Democrat hooligans in the state legislature place an amendment to the Illinois Constitution on last November's ballot that would have raised the state income tax by over \$5 billion. We worked with local taxpayer groups across the state and helped them organize to defeat the amendment. Fortunately, voters defeated Pritzker's income theft amendment decisively."

"Pritzker now states that he and his Democrat thugs will raise the state income tax 20% to compensate for the loss of his tax theft amendment. It never ends."

"We will again work with taxpayer groups across the state, this time to kill the proposed 20% state income tax increase."