

## Some Other Negative Consequences

- Since all residents will be beneficiaries, Colorado will become a haven for the desperately ill from all over the country and possibly all over the world, driving the estimated costs far higher than the original estimates.
- The excessive tax system on corporations, capital gains and rent incomes will drive many businesses out of the state.
- Because the Board dictates all of their election systems, is not subject to the normal checks and balances from other jurisdictional authorities and the rights of citizens to elect their representatives is significantly compromised by giving aliens equal voting status, Amendment 69 would create a system of government in Colorado that would more resemble a Soviet style Politburo than the representative, limited system of government guaranteed in our Constitution.
- This monopoly of medical care will force everyone's private medical records into a central database which Amendment 69 states will be used "for management and research purposes."
- Amendment 69 assumes medical professionals will accept the SSPS and continue to work in Colorado.

## Tax Examples:

A family of five (two parents and three children) with a self-employment income of \$50,000 and a \$15,000 income from a rental property, (using the IRS standard deductions) would have a Colorado income tax of \$1,505. Adding the 10% SSPS tax their Colorado tax bill would be \$8,005, 532% more than the tax without SSPS.□

If that same family sold their rental property and received a \$150,000 capital gain, with SSPS they could owe an additional \$21,945 in Colorado taxes.□

The proponents of the SSPS claim that this 10% tax is assessed like Social Security taxes, but the SSPS will tax all income sources, not just earned income, and it is applied before any individual and itemized deductions are figured.□

The SSPS tax scheme is magnitudes bigger than any other tax set before Colorado voters.□

This analysis of Amendment 69 was prepared by Colorado State Senator Kevin Lundberg.□

For more information on the SSPS go to:□

[HealthcareOptionsthatWork.com](http://HealthcareOptionsthatWork.com)□

[healthcare.i2i.org](http://healthcare.i2i.org)

[csahu.org/images/downloads/](http://csahu.org/images/downloads/)

[CSAHU\\_No\\_on\\_69.pdf](#)

[Amendment69Colorado.com](http://Amendment69Colorado.com)

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## Amendment 69:

# The State Single Payer System (SSPS)



The SSPS starts with a \$25 billion tax increase each year.  
But it gets worse...

This 10% tax is on all gross income, business income, capital gains, and rental income. It is 10% on ALL income.  
But it gets worse...

This is Obamacare on steroids.  
But it gets worse...

The SSPS creates a new super-subdivision of government in Colorado that is accountable to no one.

And this rogue Oligarchy is certain to get worse.

## System of Governance

- Their budget is over five times bigger than what would be left of the current state general fund after the SSPS funds are removed from the general fund (\$7 billion vs. \$37 billion).
- Their budget would be more than twice the entire state budget, including cash funds and federal funds, after the SSPS funds were removed from the total state budget (\$17 billion vs. \$37 billion).
- The SSPS Board is unaccountable, it is “not subject to administrative direction or control by any state executive, department, commission, board, bureau or agency.”
  - Board members are not subject to recall, they set their own salaries, create their own election districts, and can vote any board member “off the island.”
  - The Board essentially picks their own candidates who will stand for election to the board. The election is nonpartisan and therefore the Board will determine how the candidates are selected, how the election is conducted and how the votes are counted.
  - All residents above the age of 18 who have been in the state for at least 12 months may vote (including all legal and illegal aliens).
- Amendment 69 exempts the SSPS from all revenue and spending limitations in the Tax Payer’s Bill of Rights (TABOR).

## Medical System

- The Board will dictate what medical care will be approved and what care will be denied for all covered medical services
- All residents within the state are required to be a part of the SSPS, with no exceptions such as medical cost sharing (an exception even allowed in ObamaCare).
- SSPS is a secondary payer to any health insurance. If you already have coverage, that insurance will have to pay first, even though you have to pay the SSPS tax.
- All providers will have to conform to the approval, pricing and billing system established by the Board.
- Cost containment will inevitably result in rationing of care and raising co-pays.
- Payment for all alternative medicine will be subject to the rulings from the Board.
- Is it possible that SSPS can be any more efficient and less bureaucratic than the DMV or the VA hospital system?



## Tax System

- \$25 billion is just the estimated starting point
- 10% tax is on:
  - All gross income
  - Wages, salaries and tips
  - Business income
  - Farm income
  - Capital gains
  - Pensions, annuities and Social Security benefits, to the extent taxed by the state under current law.
- The tax is regressive, fully taxing lower incomes, providing some tax relief for higher incomes.
- Non-beneficiaries (non-residents) are still taxed on all Colorado income.
- Tax rate increases require a vote from the “members” (all residents over 18 who have been in the state 12 months), but back-door increases (increasing co-payments) can be raised by the Board without any vote.
- Since the SSPS is exempt from TABOR, the board determines the ballot language for all tax rates increase questions. (no longer will such questions begin with the phrase: “shall taxes be raised...”)