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Title: Holiday Season 60 Seconds

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Up with music bed of Auld Lang Syne

Announcer

Soon we will begin a new year... and a new millenium.

But as most of us contemplate what a new century will bring, the New York state legislature is rushing to bring us... a new tax.

That's right, before the end of the year the legislature could pass a new xx% increase in the excise tax on cigarettes. That would make New York's tax the largest of its kind in the United States.

New York residents already pay more state, county and local taxes per capita than any other state in the union. And this past year, New York's state government had a budget surplus.

With New York's government coffers overflowing, a new tax is simply unfair.

ALT LINE: WITH NEW YORK'S GOVERNMENT FLUSH WITH CASH, A NEW TAX HIKE IS SIMPLY UNFAIR.

Call your state legislators and let them know how you

After all, it's the holiday season... it's time to

feel about a new tax increase.

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celebrate a new year, not a new tax.

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