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Title: "Time of the Year"

60 Seconds

Date: 12-20-99 Client: Lorillard

SFX/Speaker

Audio

Up with music bed and sounds of crowd counting down as the ball drops in time square.

Crowd: "Ten, nine..."

Announcer

It's the most wonderful time of the year...

Crowd: "three, two, one"

Unless you live in New York.

Sound of lone party whistle

Announcer

State legislators are planning an enormous tax hike that would double the state's cigarette tax in order to fund another big-government, healthcare entitlement program.

The 55 cents-per-pack increase would make New York's tax the largest of its kind in the United States.

New York already collects \$1 billion a year from cigarette makers. One <u>billion</u> a year!

This new tax will increase smuggling and drive

millions of dollars a year in sales to low-tax states like New Jersey.

Who will fund New York's big-government, healthcare program when that happens?

Call your state legislators and tell them their shortsighted political fix won't work. Creating a new healthcare program with tobacco taxes is a bad idea.

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