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## Fact of the Day #3: Primaries Tomorrow, and Your Taxes Are On the Line

Last spring, the Senate of Kansas fell three votes short of burdening Kansans with higher income taxes, sales taxes, and property taxes.

**In the coming year, the threat of court-mandated spending increases may apply even more pressure for tax increases.**

Three of the most important candidates to taxpayers are the following – they have all taken the Taxpayer Protection Pledge to **“oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.”**:

- **Sen. Kay O’Connor (S-9)**
- **Mary Pilcher Cook**
- **David Belpedio**

**Sen. Kay O’Connor** opposed the tax increases, and voted against taxes 90.4% of the time in her career.\* But she is being challenged by Rep. Rob Boyer (H-38), who voted to raise your income, sales, and property taxes.\*\*

**Mary Pilcher Cook** has a 100% lifetime record of opposing new taxes (when she used to hold this seat).\* She is challenging Rep. Cindy Neighbor (H-18), who voted to increase your income, sales, and property taxes.\*\*

**David Belpedio** has committed himself to “oppose and vote against any and all efforts to increase taxes.” He is challenging Sen. John Vratil (S-11), who voted to raise your income, sales, and property taxes.\*\*\*

**Before voting tomorrow, find out who will defend your pocketbook!**

\* Kansas Taxpayers Network, [www.kansastaxpayers.com](http://www.kansastaxpayers.com). \*\*House Journal 1545 & 1584

\*\*\*Senate Journal 1846 & 2315

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