

OPPOSE SB 779 & HB 3964

Public nuisance laws protect life and property in our state. In fact, these long-standing legal rights have protected free citizens in the Western world since the 12th century, predating even the Magna Carta. Enforcement of public nuisance law maintains order by deterring the worst, most widespread harm. We must hold fully accountable those who infringe upon our liberty, whether they are poisoning our water or land with toxic chemicals, or poisoning our bodies with deadly substances, such as those who pushed addictive opioids throughout our country and devastated so many lives.

When communities can't recover their costs from wrongdoers in court, local taxpayers are made to pay the price through tax hikes, and that isn't right. Wrongdoers should pay for the harm they cause, not us. The legal restrictions in SB 779 and HB 3964 will only handcuff our local governments, socialize costs, and hurt innocent citizens like your constituents.

Local communities and our attorney general have appropriately enforced our rights under our public nuisance laws, recovering costs from wrongdoers through our courts. SB 779 and HB 3964 gut these essential protections. There is no reason to forfeit our ancient natural rights. Please oppose SB 779 and HB 3964.

"LIBERTY ONCE LOST IS LOST FOREVER."
- JOHN ADAMS





