Commercial Tobacco's Impact: It's Even More Costly Than You Think

ANNUAL COSTS TO CALIFORNIANS

\$9.8 Billion in Health Care Costs

\$6.8 Billion
in Lost
Productivity

\$3.8 Billion

Costs to the Medi-Cal Program

\$41 Million
Tobacco Waste
Cleanup

Commercial tobacco kills nearly **40,000 people** in California each year, many of whom are from marginalized communities targeted by the Tobacco Industry.

OUR ASK

Would you be willing to write a statement or letter in support of a tobacco prevention issue in your district?

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