

Headline:

"12 Controversial California Policies Taking Effect Jan. 1"

by Sophie Li (Epoch Times 12/31/2023)

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"8 New laws Impacting California Businesses and Workers in California"

by Travis Gilmore (Epoch Times 1/3/2024)

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"Watch California Die"

by Derek Hunter (Townhall.com, 1/1/2024)



Here are a few of the details:

- California Minimum wage increased to \$16/ hour, and \$20/hour for fast food employees (April 1). Already a pizza chain has eliminated hundreds of jobs of delivery drivers. Goodbye affordable fast food.
- Restrictions against employers inquiring about off-the-clock marijuana use. May not ask about past history, either. Keeps employers from having a clean, drug-free workplace, as much as possible.
- Medi-Cal for illegal immigrants of all ages. Will cost about \$2.7 billion when our state has a \$69 billion deficit already, larger than the total budgets of 40 other states. Mr. Hunter writes, "People just climbing the fence [illegally!], who have contributed absolutely nothing to society, getting these kinds of benefits. . . . If you own a company and haven't already moved it out of the state, be prepared to be milked like the last remaining dairy cow in Wisconsin. They're already taxing to death; next they'll tax death. But before that, expect Sacramento to tax moving trucks leaving the state to get that last penny out of the people who dared choose to live free.... While outrageous, the idiots who live there voted for this, . . . not everyone .

..but they still live there. It's not a prison, at least not yet. . . . The only way to truly defeat these evil leftists is to let somewhere be sacrificed to the god of their policies. California is better than anywhere else because they're already there . . . "

I can't argue with any of the above. It's true. I grind my teeth daily at the evil coming out of this state, and at the servants of Satan running things. I argue with God often about having to be here under the fast-growing tyranny.

So why do we stay here? Why do YOU stay here?

Here are some reasons I hear and/or that apply to me, also.

- I'll be darned if the tyrants are gonna win. This is my state, too.
- My kids and grandkids are here. I don't want to leave them.
- I've lived here all my life. A move would be too traumatic.
- Our business is located here and serves the local population.

Unfortunately, the tyrants hold all the cards, so they've already "won". There is one solution that I've always preferred, but the chance of it happening is that of a snowball in the Mojave Desert in August.



If we were to split the state into three parts, we in "Southern California" (see above) would be free of the Bay Area, Sacramento, and the god-awful mess of the L.A. basin. That would be ideal in my pea-brain way of thinking. My favorite division of California would be north to south, West California and East California determined mostly by the barrier of the Sierras and other mountains. That would put the commonsense Conservatives together into the same state.

There are other reasons to stay, too, especially if we live in our beautiful desert valley of Lucerne Valley.

- We are fairly well removed from the worst of the urban mess.
- We have beautiful sunrises and sunsets, that are unique to our desert bowl.



Foggy mornings after a rain.

- We've had each other supporting each other, but that is getting diluted by the influx of non-desert rats. We need to desert-ize them quickly!
- So far, San Bernardino County has kept some distance from the tyrants, even to the point of threatening secession if the tyrants keep taking our tax money without equivalent



Beautiful wild flowers persisting even in December!

return. Oh, if that could happen! I would be ecstatic!

As you may suspect, those of us who sponsor the store stay because we believe that this is where God wants us. In spite of all of my wailing and moaning about having to put up with this shtuff here, God lets us know that we must stay and continue this mission of service to our customers and especially to our staffers who are extra special people whom God sent to help with this mission. How could we abandon them during these "interesting" times?

As we see the United States fall apart spiritually, morally, and politically, and as we see the world in chaos as wars, violence, and murder erupt seemingly everywhere, we'd best be focusing on our smaller enclave called Lucerne Valley and keep it together as we work together to do that.

I think that's what God has in mind.

Linda Gommel

This is why we live here!



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