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## **Letter of the day: Flush with a facelift? Kahn wants you to pay**

Rep. Phyllis Kahn is now trying to push another tax on us. Most of what I have heard from the latest group of legislators is about raising our taxes.

According to an MSN Money article last week, Minnesota is currently ranked fourth in the nation for local and state taxes, fifth if federal burden is added.

Her quote, "There aren't a lot of homeless people and there aren't a lot of people who don't have enough money for food who are getting optional cosmetic surgery," is not a compelling or logical argument to levy yet another tax upon us. Kahn fails to tell us where this expected \$7 million windfall from hardworking taxpayers would be applied. Can she, or any lawmaker, point to any program in the fourth-highest taxed state that is truly underfunded?

When will it be enough? Didn't we just see the reports of a very large projected surplus?

I have a feeling that Kahn and her cohorts won't be satisfied until we're No. 1.

Not in scholastic achievement or business growth, but in confiscatory taxation.

What a nice legacy to leave to "the children," Ms. Kahn et al.

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