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**In 2022, Gavin Newsom Endorsed Will Rollins For California’s 41st Congressional District. Rollins Said He Was “Honored” To Have The Endorsement.**



([Twitter](#), 8/6/22)

### **Raised Our Cost Of Living**

**In 2023, Gov. Newsom Signed Two Union-Backed Bills That Will Boost Fast-Food And Health Care Workers’ Minimum Wages.** “Californians in two industries are set to get new minimum wages just for them next year, and that could lead to pay bumps for other workers, too. Gov. Gavin Newsom this year signed two union-backed bills that will boost fast-food and health care workers’ minimum wages.” (Levi Sumagaysay and Shreya Agrawal, “New California Laws Raise The Minimum Wage For 2 Industries. Others Could See Pay Hikes, Too,” [Cal Matters](#), 12/21/23)

**According To Economist Christopher Thornberg, Increasing Minimum Wages For The Lowest-Paid Workers Will Lead To Higher Prices For Consumers.** “The costs and potential consequences of the higher minimum wages worry some people, including economists and the governor, while others see upsides. Economist Christopher Thornberg, one of the founding partners of Beacon Economics, said that in a competitive market, increasing minimum wages for the lowest-paid workers will lead to higher prices for consumers. For example, McDonald’s and Chipotle executives have said they plan to raise prices next year to offset increased labor costs.” (Levi Sumagaysay and Shreya Agrawal, “New California Laws Raise The Minimum Wage For 2 Industries. Others Could See Pay Hikes, Too,” [Cal Matters](#), 12/21/23)

**In 2024, Gavin Newsom Failed To Suspend The Gas Tax, Leading To A 1 Percent Increase.** “Congressman David Valadao and the California Republican congressional delegation are urging Gov. Gavin Newsom to suspend the state’s upcoming gas tax increase on July 1, 2024. According to AAA, the national average for gas is \$3.60 per gallon while California's average is more than a dollar and a half more at \$5.13 per gallon.” (Stephen Hawkins, “California GOP Delegation Urges Newsom To Halt July Gas Tax Hike As Prices Soar,” [KMPH](#), 5/27/24)

- **In July 2024, The Gas Tax Increased By 1 Percent.** “If you're headed out of town for the Fourth of July holiday, the drive is going to cost you a little more than it did the week before. California's gas tax officially goes up on Monday. Now, the state's gas tax is 60 cents, whereas it was 58 cents from July 2023 to June 2024, according to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration. This fee is on top of sales tax and the federal fuel tax for gasoline, which currently sits at 18 cents.” (Renee Schmiedeberg, “California Gas Tax Goes Up On July 1. Here’s How Much You’re paying,” [KNSD](#), 7/1/24)

## **Made Our Communities Less Safe**

**In 2021, Gov. Newsom Signed A Rule That Allowed 76,000 Inmates, Including Violent And Repeat Felons, The Opportunity To Leave Prison Earlier Though Expanded Good Behavior Credits.** “California is giving 76,000 inmates, including violent and repeat felons, the opportunity to leave prison earlier as the state aims to further trim the population of what once was the nation’s largest state correctional system. More than 63,000 inmates convicted of violent crimes will be eligible for good behavior credits that shorten their sentences by one-third instead of the one-fifth that had been in place since 2017. That includes nearly 20,000 inmates who are serving life sentences with the possibility of parole.” (Don Thompson, “76,000 California Inmates Now Eligible For Earlier Releases,” [Associated Press](#), 5/1/21)

## **Stripped Parents Of Basic Rights**

**Los Angeles Times Headline: “Newsom Signs Bill Banning Schools From Notifying Parents About Student Gender Identity”** (Mackenzie Mays, “Newsom Signs Bill Banning Schools From Notifying Parents About Student Gender Identity,” [Los Angeles Times](#), 7/15/24)

**In 2024, Gov. Newsom Signed Legislation That Prohibits Mandating That Teachers Notify Families About Student Gender Identity Changes.** “Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a bill on Monday that prohibits mandating that teachers notify families about student gender identity changes, capping a yearlong battle between conservative school boards concerned about parental rights and LGBTQ+ activists worried about vulnerable youths.” (Mackenzie Mays, “Newsom Signs Bill Banning Schools From Notifying Parents About Student Gender Identity,” [Los Angeles Times](#), 7/15/24)