

## Budget Background: Choices Matter

GOP Proposal Chooses to Protect the Top 2% at the Expense of Middle Class Minnesotans

Governor Dayton's Plan Protects 98% of Minnesotans from Property or Income Tax Increases.

Impact of permanent income and property tax increases on Minnesota families (per year)

	DAYTON	GOP*
Single Senior Citizen Fixed income: \$10,000 Rent: \$600/month	\$0	\$247
Single parent, 1 child Income: \$27,000 Rent: \$800/month	\$0	\$677
Senior Citizen couple Fixed income: \$43,000 Rent: \$600/month	\$0	\$115
Couple, 2 children Income: \$50,000 Rent: \$1,200/month	\$0	\$887
Couple, 2 children Income: \$81,000 Own home valued at \$199,000 (average statewide home price)	\$0	\$116
Couple, 2 children Income: \$335,000 Own home in Duluth valued at \$344,400	\$775	\$716

*\*Includes reduction in renters credit, property tax increases, income tax increases, and increase in homeowner property tax refund. Excludes temporary tax changes, as well as thousands in increased health care costs and premiums, tuition increases, transit fare hikes, reductions in pay and benefits for state employees, etc.*