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in the home, the benefits would continue. The state would collect the lien on the property, plus a reasonable interest rate, thereafter.

These Nevadans, primarily senior citizens living on fixed incomes from public and private retirement funds and personal investments, have been hit the hardest by inflation. I propose the start-up cost of this program be financed from the proceeds of our prosperity -- the surplus in our general fund. We estimate that this will relieve these taxpayers of the burdens of property taxes totalling not more than \$5 million, which of course will be ultimately returned when the amounts are collected.

The six points I have described so far can all be implemented by July 1 of next year. They would provide relief of nearly \$50 million to Nevada taxpayers, nearly all of which would be absorbed by state government. Thus, I am prepared, as Governor, to see that state government does its share to limit the growth of government in Nevada. However, local governments must be prepared to do their share as well.

The total cost of state and local government in Nevada is over \$1.7 billion. Over 2/3 of this amount is spent by cities, counties and school districts and about 1/3 by state government. If left unchecked, the flow of tax dollars into our state general fund for fiscal year 1980 will increase by more than \$38 million, more than 14 percent above the current level.

If we allow the budgets of local government in Nevada to increase next year at the same rate as this past year, those governments will cost Nevadans an additional \$300 million for cities, counties and school districts. That would be a 27 percent increase in revenues and spending, whereas our population has increased only 4 percent and inflation has reduced government purchasing power by only approximately 6 percent.

I therefore propose that the next legislature correct this trend, by placing a limit, or cap, on increased government spending. Thus, I include in this package perhaps the most important element of all:

I will urge the legislature to limit the growth of state and local government spending to a ratio proportionate to inflation and population increases.

Preliminary application of this concept indicates that local government spending can be curtailed in Nevada next year by up to \$107 million over what would be collected and spent under current tax laws if this restriction were not imposed. It will be my recommendation to the legislature that a mechanism be established whereby the major portion of this savings be passed on to the public in the form of property tax reduction.

The foregoing comprehensive plan, if enacted, would meet our needs for tax reform. At the same time, it would provide the necessary services to our citizens. Finally, it would continue the Nevada tradition of responsible government.

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Topics sampled in the Roper study include values, expectations and goals, desires for mobility, lifestyles, attitudes towards family and feelings about racism. The conclusions of the Poll are documented by a series of tables, many of which appear at the end of the highly informative article.

Among the distinguished contributors to the August Special Issue of Ebony are:

Vernon Jordan, Jr., Executive Director of the National Urban League, who sees today's Black youth as an "endangered generation," existing on the brink of becoming lost to society and lost to themselves. Poverty, poor education and unemployment are at the roots of this bleak predicament, Jordan concludes.

Dr. Alvin F. Poussaint, professor of Psychiatry at Harvard University gives a psychological portrait of the New Generation. In his timely article, "What Makes Them Tick," Dr. Poussaint finds that widespread questioning of traditional values and beliefs has acted as a bewildering force upon today's youth culture.

Reverend Jesse Jackson, National President of PUSH, urges young Blacks to excel in order to succeed in his forceful "Challenge to the New Generation." Reverend Jackson places heavy responsibility upon the "victim" for his own survival. "The challenge of the Older Generation of adults," says Rev. Jackson, "is to regain the confidence of this New Generation's youth."

The New Generation is faced with a myriad of sexually permissive lifestyles and young couples should work together to form stable, trusting relationships advise Dr. Richard Tyson and his wife Joan Tyson, R.N. of the Institute For Marriage Enrichment and Sexual Studies located in Columbia, Maryland.

In reporting on the Drug Scene, Vern E. Smith finds the New Generation a highly susceptible captive of a classless, world-wide epidemic.

Another highlight of Ebony's August Special Issue is the selection of 50 young Black men and women with extraordinary leadership potential. Ebony surveyed the nation to find these gifted young people. The list is by no means all-inclusive, but it does provide ample proof that the talent for leadership exists among the New Generation even though our youth are often portrayed as being fun-loving and fancy-free.

"When Ebony first decided to do a special issue on the 'New Generation' there was much reluctance on the part of some of the older staff members," says Executive Editor Herbert Nipson. But the reluctance was short-lived. In the first editorial meeting on the special issue, a dialog between the older and younger staff was established.

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