

## 2011 Illinois Tax Increase

Each headline is reporting on the same event. Consider each headline and answer the questions that follow.

**Illinois legislators increase state's income tax from 3 to 5 percent to counter huge budget deficit**

From: [https://www.cleveland.com/nation/2011/01/illinois\\_legislators\\_increase.html](https://www.cleveland.com/nation/2011/01/illinois_legislators_increase.html)

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**Illinois Lawmakers Pass 66 Percent Income Tax Increase**

From: <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/illinois-lawmakers-pass-66-percent-income-tax-increase>

### Respond:

- How can both headlines be true?
- What impression do you get from each headline about the magnitude of the increase?
- Why do you think each headline chose this different language?
- Which is more accurately reported in your opinion?