



# **California: Almost Overnight the State Turned Liberal, Became Mired in Over- Regulation and Over-Taxation Leading to Poverty**

Victor Davis Hanson explains how California has gone from the most prosperous state to having the highest poverty level in the US with tent cities, disease and open drug use. He says that Facebook, Google and Apple brought \$3 trillion into the state and, along with Hollywood and the universities, made rules that they are not subjected to themselves. New green regulations resulted in raising the price of housing, small businesses fled, gasoline taxes increased and income tax rose. In addition, 10 to 15 million illegal aliens crossed the southern border into the state. The golden state accounts for one third of all welfare recipients and 20% of the residents live below the poverty line.