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HB 611

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TO: Members of the House Taxation Committee
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RE: Support of HB 611

Mr. Chairman and members of the House Taxation Committee for the record, I'm Joy Bruck, State President of AARP Montana. We support HB 611. There is a lack of affordable housing statewide. This can certainly contribute to some of the homelessness we see in our communities and those on fixed incomes may find it hard to keep a "roof over their heads". Some people 50 – 64 may be paying as much as 30% of their income on housing and some over the age of 85 may see more than half of their income go for housing.

Incentives to develop more affordable housing is very important so all people, no matter how limited their income, have access to quality housing.

We urge you to support HB 611.