Public Comments for Economic Affairs Interim Committee

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Subject:

Eliminate property tax.

Comment:

Montana Constitutional Amendment. No government agency or political person in Montana can ever tax its citizens or businesses on property. Definition of a tax. A charge or fee that a government imposes on a citizen or business is called a tax. Taxes help to pay for the services people (and businesses) receive from the government. Replace our property tax with a nonessential goods consumption tax of 10 to 15%. I would like to propose the above changes to our constitution and tax system. I think Montana could be a leader in getting rid of property tax. Property tax is an evil tax as fair as I am concerned. I think a non-essential goods tax would be the way to go. I believe Montana would prosper from such a tax. It would bring in new businesses and higher wages. Montana is missing the boat by punishing its own people with a never-ending unjust property tax. Millions of the out of stators flow through Montana every year. Let them help pay for our services. 99% of the people I talk to hate property tax. If we could eliminate property tax, the people would be ok with a sales tax. The amount of the sales tax would have to be figured out. it would probably be 10 to 15 percent on a nonessential goods tax. And you would have to figure out what items qualify as non-essential. I have visited with my rep Marta Bertoglio Representative Montana House District 75. And asked if she would sponsor something like this. The people of Montana are getting angry with paying a property tax on money they have never received year after year. Sincerely Kipp Huckaba 406-287-3347 Kipprhuckaba@live.com

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