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## **Public Comments for the Revenue Interim Committee**

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Historic Preservation Tax Credits

## **Comment:**

Honorable members of the Revenue Interim Committee, As an architect who has specialized in historic preservation for over thirty-five years, I fully understand the important role that historic preservation tax credits have played in repurposing existing buildings in Montana. Many of these projects could not happen - would not pencil out - without the tax credits. But, it could be so much better. Montana could increase the percentage of the state credit. It makes sense that Montana should help this program that has helped Montana and its citizens. This information was clearly stated in the testimony your committee heard this afternoon (Thursday, May 9) by experts in the field, including the state's SHPO. We are so fortunate to have a SHPO that works to make this program a success. Let's keep up the good work and improve upon it by increasing the Montana portion of the tax credit. Thank you for your good and thoughtful work on this matter. Sincerely, Lesley M. Gilmore

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